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DOUMERGUE REVEALS GRAVITY OF FRENCH FINANCIAL CRISIS

U.S. MAY RAISE GOLD PRICE BY \$2
Dollar Expected To Weaken.
SENATE MOVE TOWARDS CURRENCY EXPANSION

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New York, To-day.
Some American financial experts believe that if the dollar should weaken in terms of foreign exchange, there is more than a possibility that gold may be shipped to Europe, states Mr. Elmer C. Walzer, "United Press" financial editor.

However, he declares, such a contingency could be eliminated by increasing the gold prices.
Some Wall Street traders expect that the price will be raised to U.S.\$37 per ounce.
—United Press, per S. C. Gold Bar Co.

INFLATION MOVES

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Washington, To-day.
The Senate and Congressional inflation advocates are manoeuvring to force the Administration toward currency expansion, and for that reason they are centering their drive on the Frazier-Lemke Bill, providing U.S.\$2,500,000,000 in new money to re-finance farm indebtedness.
Others are making an effort to have the Administration utilize the devaluated dollar and the increased gold base to issue several billions of new reserve notes.
Attention is called to the fact that it is theoretically possible for the Treasury to issue as much as U.S.\$20,000,000,000 worth of reserve notes backed by the required 35 per cent. of gold.
Senator Lemke yesterday declared, "We have too much credit money and not enough real money."
Senator Tom Connally, of Texas, has introduced a measure into the Senate providing for the redemption of all outstanding currency within two years.
"Old currency would be replaced with new currency."
Senator Connally pointed out that the measure would force hoarded money into circulation.
—United Press, per S. C. Gold Bar Co.

FLETCHER BILL REPORTED

New Concession To U. S. National Banks

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Washington, To-day.
The Senate Banking Committee has favourably reported the Fletcher Bill, permitting national banking associations established in United States possessions, to start branches in their respective areas.—United Press, per S. C. Gold Bar Co.

SQUABBLE DELAYS U.S. STOCK MARKET BILL

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Washington, To-day.
Indications report that the Stock Market Regulation Bill has been indefinitely delayed on account of squabbling among the Committee members.—United Press, per S. C. Gold Bar Co.



M. Doumergue, former President and now Premier of France.

U.S. STEEL PRICE STILL TOO LOW

Despite Wage Increases.

MILL OPERATIONS AGAIN HIGHER

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New York, To-day.
The New York journal, "The Iron Age," reports that American steel operations are at 48.5 per cent. of capacity, with sharply higher schedules in the finishing mills expected about the middle of this month.

The journal calls attention to the fact that, despite the price advances, the index figure for finished steel products is still considerably below the 1929 and 1926 figures, notwithstanding that wages are back, approximately, at the 1929 and 1926 levels.—United Press, per S. C. Gold Bar Co.

PASSING OF PIRATE CHASER.

L4 Submarine Being Broken Up.

IN HONG KONG IN 1927

London, To-day.
Famous for her work among Chinese pirates in 1927, H. M. submarine L4 is now being broken up in the Thames shipyard.
It is interesting to note that a member of the gang now working on the submarine served in the L4 during the War.—Reuter.

FOREIGN TRADE REVIVAL.

Increased Tonnages At British Ports.

London, To-day.
The return of shipping movements at British ports shows that foreign trade arrivals with cargo, in February, 1934, revealed an increase in tonnage of 7.9 per cent. over February, 1933, while departures with cargo were 8.9 per cent. greater.
Arrivals in ballast decreased by 1.3 per cent., but departures were 18.4 per cent. larger.
Coasting trade, entrances and clearances with cargo were 8.9 and 6.3 per cent. heavier respectively, and in ballast, 5.2 and 4.4 per cent. greater.—British Wireless Service.

INFLATION THREAT

DEFAULT OF LIABILITIES AVOIDED

POSTAL EMPLOYEES DECLARE "WAR."

TO OPPOSE GOVERNMENT'S "UNSOCIAL PLANS"

Paris, To-day.

Exceptionally plain speaking marks a letter from the French Premier, M. Gaston Doumergue to President Albert Lebrun in connection with the Government's economy programme adopted by the Council of Ministers last night.

M. Doumergue states that if the Government had hesitated to use the exceptional powers granted by Parliament it would have meant, within a very short time, either the closing down of the Treasury, the suspension of payments and the default of all liabilities, or inflation, with its attendant troubles, for inflation does not solve problems but, by deferring and aggravating them, it also leads to bankruptcy.

To be as rich as pre-war France, with the franc devalued by four-fifths, capital and business turnover ought to have increased five-fold. This had not happened said M. Doumergue.

Moreover, expenditure had increased not five-fold, but ten-fold.

Meanwhile, Federation of Postal Employees has declared war against the Government measures.

An emergency meeting called last night, resolved on empowering the leaders to prepare an "energetic and decisive riposte to the unsocial plans contained in the decree of laws." — Reuter.

TRADE WAR THREAT BY GERMANY.

Reprisals Against French Quotas.

Berlin, To-day.

Commercial reprisals against France have been announced by the German Government.

The Germans contend that imports to France of German goods allowed under the quota system are seriously hampered by being subjected to the decisions of "committees between professionals," namely, persons interested in the goods concerned.

The German Government, therefore, are treating a similar organisation to deal with French imports, but are prepared to dissolve it immediately France acts likewise. — Reuter.

HEAVY OVER-PRODUCTION OF GASOLINE IN U.S.

Plan To Avert Collapse Of Marketing Structure

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Washington, To-day.
The Petroleum Board have said that an emergency plan will be announced to-day as an effort to prevent the threatened collapse of the wholesale gasoline marketing structure, a danger which has been brought about by heavy over-production.—United Press, per S. C. Gold Bar Co.

GERMANY DENIES NAVAL AMBITIONS

"No Equality With Big Powers."

BUT VERSAILLES TREATY REVISION DESIRED

Berlin, To-day.

Germany expects to participate in next year's Naval Conference with a view to procuring some revision of the Treaty of Versailles and so obtain greater naval security, according to yesterday's newspapers.

They publish official denials, however, of the report published abroad that Germany has drawn up a big Navy building programme.

The papers emphasise that it would take several years to build up a large fleet. Germany, they assert, has no money for such luxuries, and does not intend to claim equality with the big Naval Powers. — Reuter.

DISARMAMENT BUREAU MEETING ON APRIL 10

London, To-day.

Mr. Arthur Henderson, President of the Conference for the reduction and limitation of armaments, yesterday met Mr. Agnideu, Director of the Disarmament Section of the League of Nations, and discussed the procedure to be followed at the Bureau, which will meet at Geneva on April 10.

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"NOT A CONVERT TO HITLERISM."

German Author Denies Charges.

Berlin, To-day.

His conversion to Hitlerism is stoutly denied by the ex-Socialist Minister, Herr Karl Severing, who repudiates the alleged passages in his forthcoming book, quoted "as a basis for a change of belief and the severing of a most distressed false impression, which originated" in the Vienna newspaper, "Neue Post."

The article was subsequently circulated by an official German news agency.—Reuter.

HOP TO HONG KONG FROM NANKING.

Mile. Hilsz To Start To-morrow.

Nanking, To-day.

On account of bad weather, the French aviator, Mile. Maryse Hilsz, did not leave to-day. She has postponed her departure until to-morrow morning.
It is learned that Mile. Hilsz will fly direct to Hong Kong without stopping at Hangchow.—Reuter.



The new King of the Belgians. King Leopold III rode the four miles from the Castle of Larken to the Parliaments Building in Brussels, to take the oath of fidelity to the constitution and was then Proclaimed King. He is here seen on his charger, riding through the crowded streets of Brussels to the Chamber of Deputies to take the oath. He is followed by Prince Charles of Belgium.—(S. & G.)

"A SECOND POPE"
Mueller Denounced At Protest Meeting.

CHURCH DISSENSION IN GERMANY

Munich, To-day.

The Church dissension here is still seething, and the suppression of the Rhenish Evangelical Churches by the German Christians, is evoking condemnation of the Nazi Prime Minister, Bishop Mueller, whom Dr. Beckmann, of Dusseldorf, described at a protest meeting last night, as "a second Pope."
Dr. Beckmann added that there was no alternative but body and soul resistance to the new German Christian policy.

Secret police at Dortmund reveal that two Presbyterian bodies have been expelled from the German Church for refusing to obey the Protestant Bishop of Munster.—Reuter.

SUGAR BILL PASSED BY HOUSE.

Hawaii's Opposition.

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Washington, To-day.
The House of Representatives yesterday passed the Sugar Bill without a record of the vote.

Representative Jones admitted that it would not satisfy everybody but he believed that it would stabilise the industry better than anything else.

Hawaii opposed the Bill, and there was also scattered domestic opposition.—United Press, per S. C. Gold Bar Co.

HIGH TAXES ON U.S. INCOMES.

Advocated By Borah.

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Washington, To-day.
During yesterday's debate on the Revenue Bill, Senator Borah urged sharply increased income taxes.—United Press, per S. C. Gold Bar Co.

WEATHER REPORT
Fair at first, with fog at night, some rain later, and moderate winds. The weather report issued by the Royal Observatory this morning.

NEW SILVER SCHEME

U.S. SENATE COMMITTEE DRAFTS BILL

PURCHASING PLAN BY THOMAS.

SILVER CERTIFICATES AT \$1.29 AN OUNCE

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Washington, To-day.

The United States Senate Agriculture Committee has appointed a sub-committee to draft a silver Bill. The measure is expected to comprise the Dies and Wheeler plans.

The sub-committee is expected to report on Monday, with the prospect thereafter for a prompt and favourable report from the full Committee.—United Press, per S. C. Gold Bar Co.

BRIGHT PROSPECTS OF PASSING BILL.

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Washington, Later.

The Senate silver forces are making a strategic effort to pass the Bill through a coalition of the agricultural and mining groups, with others whose interest is chiefly the inflationary effects of silver remonetisation.

The Bill has been sent to the Agricultural Committee on the mechanical copy that it was a farm export plan.

Inside interests are of the opinion that this is strategic in as much as the Banking Committee is more conservative and would have acceded to the Administration's wishes.

It is rumoured that the silver cause has gained strength as the result of political trading on the St. Lawrence Waterways Bill and the Administration's Tariff Bill.

Two votes change since the Senate's last important silver roll call will apparently assure the passage of the Bill.—United Press, per S. C. Gold Bar Co.

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Washington, To-day.

Senator Thomas, of Oklahoma, is preparing amendments to the Dies plan which would initiate a silver buying policy similar to the gold purchasing plan and provide for the nationalisation of silver at 50 cents an ounce.

Silver certificates would be issued against the metal at U.S.\$1.29 per ounce, the difference going to the Treasury as seigniorage.
Senator Thomas states that he favours the cessation of buying when the 1928 general price parity has been reached.—United Press, per S. C. Gold Bar Co.



The WOMAN'S Page



FROM SALON TO STREET

Novelties In Coats And Suits.

EUCALYPTUS GREEN FUR

Days now loom ahead when spring clothes will be airing their various characteristics in the "open" instead of salons. It will be interesting watching the pageantry of individual choice. The smart woman might step out in one of the latest coatfrocks from Mainbocher. It is a fresh version combining a slack coat line "fixed" to the bodice of the frock so that it sways independently from side to side over the back and cuts a new "dash" in small checked slate-blue linnage.

The natural light tracings of civet cat-fur dyed eucalyptus green to trim the jacket of a suit in identical colouring—or blue for a bolero worn with an evening gown might denote an early spring appeal.

A slim, dark blue, elbow-caped-sleeved coat, worn with a pair of white and red spotted suede gloves, indicates another coat-frock line, and there is a morning ensemble of grey flannel overcoat and navy blue heavy silken crepes dress with high neck and long sleeves, which looks smart and unsophisticated.

Patterned Gloves And Blouses

A great selection will be made from the new dark suit styles with gloves and blouses of checked, spotted, or tartan plaid silken fabrics, simultaneously seen in the Mainbocher, Molyneux, and Chanel collections. Choosing one from the other in order of designers is going to be a problem! The trend is varied in another style when a slack coat of darkest blue linnage appears with a floral taffetas lining matching a blouse and tie.

White Organdie Coats

The aspect of dark coats and skirts with patterned blouses or dresses of floral and tie-silk persuasion changes to one of white in one collection. A full line is given to white ottoman silk for a coat over a black and white patterned China frock, the China being repeated in coat lining. But this is not all. Other coats of white linen facoonne with well-spaced floral motifs stop short on straight hemlines of black frocks, and some are in white organdie for later on in the season.



The Early Morning Cough!

You have probably grown so used to that early morning cough that it is treated as a matter of course, and therefore not treated at all. But if you continue this neglect sooner or later it may develop into something much more serious.

Do not delay; to-morrow morning, immediately the cough begins, slip a Respiroid into your mouth. You will find that the antiseptic, aromatic vapours released while the lozenge slowly dissolves will soothe the throat, break up the phlegm in your bronchial tubes, and "let your" cough have ceased.

Nobody afflicted with an early morning cough should be without Respiroids. They are helpful also in preventing as well as relieving colds, and as a promptly effective treatment for sore throat. Respiroids are obtainable at all medical dealers, or at \$1.25 per bottle post free, from The Dr. Williams Medicine Co., 451, Kiangse Road, Shanghai.

RESPIROIDS

Spring Ensemble



The one-button tulleur, a new Spring fashion worn with a smart white tulle blouse, featuring the high-trimmed neckline. Distinctive accessories are a chic bare, white gloves and two-skin marten fur.

RETURN OF SENSIBLE DRESSING-GOWNS

Corduroy And Angora Will Be Popular.

COMFY AND CHIC BEDROOM WEAR THIS YEAR

The kind of novelist to whom a scorn of "sensible" dressing-gowns has too often been such a godsend will have a difficult time this year. Nearly all the most chic dressing-gowns of the moment are at the same time the warmest and most sensible.

Imagine a glowing affair in pin-stripe corduroy, manly in cut, the heart of a flame in colour, and with a clever and slender monogram embroidered in white on the pocket. Although this colour is so vivid and makes you feel warm just to look at, it is not difficult to wear.

Not So Vivid.

But for people who fight shy of vivid colours first thing in the morning, there are plenty of others to choose from, equally chic and satisfying.

One is in white wool with dark brown chenille dots all over it; the collar and belt are of ribbed brown velvet, and there is an unusually attractive fastening to the belt.

Another is in blue Angora, one of those blues with a faint touch of violet to give them interest. The rather short sleeves are very full, the bodice crosses over so that you remain warmly covered in all circumstances, and can wear it as successfully with a nightgown as with pyjamas, fact which does not apply to the shorter dressing-gowns.

WOODEN JEWELLERY WILL BE FASHIONABLE

Necklaces, bangles, rings and clips are being made from macassar and thuya and even bamboo. Some designs are perfectly plain, but others show the wood inlaid with chromium or vividly coloured enamel.

Gifts are fashionable, and allied to the wood it is very smart.

SLOPING SHOULDERS IN FASHION

Effect Produced By New Line.

TREND OF FEMINITY

Paris.

Sloping shoulders are here. The old squared shoulders which took the style world by storm have been supplanted by a new mold. The shoulders which appear on the new frocks—and which stylists predict will be seen in the 1934 spring models—cling almost as closely to the wearer as her skin.

Breaking from the close high throatline seen on numerous frocks, many of them give the effect of a bottle or vase neck. Some are designed without any shoulder seam at all.

They are all part of the definite trend to femininity which has marked the new mode and which turns its back on angles.

Ingenuity is required to give grace to the new line, since the idea is to make the frock fit as smoothly over the shoulders as a cape. Lanvin designs frocks of black satin and greyed hyacinth crepe which slope from the neck to a point on the sleeves between shoulders and elbow without a seam. The seam appears only at this midway point on the arm.

Bruyere makes a very short sleeved pale blue crepe spring frock with sleeves which just cap over the shoulder. Other designers work with a raglan seam or the regulation shoulder seam pressed as flat as possible.

New Crisp Styles Favoured

Cotton Materials Popular This Spring.

RICH SHADES, CHECKS AND TARTANS

Crisp styles promise to be in favour this spring. To begin with, there are quite a lot of crisp materials in the—taffetas and organs, or, as it was first called, organdi, of the silk kind, which is just crisp enough never to look dragged. Then there are the lames and the ordinary muslins or grenadines.

There is something about many of the new materials and styles which recalls the fashions of Bath in its Jane Austen days. There are striped muslins, flowered silks, ribbon sashes, and some turbulence about the petticoats to go with them.

Not Practical

The chief difference in fashion which lies between then and now is that women now dress fittingly for what they are doing, whereas it must be admitted that Katherine Morland, Elizabeth Bennett, and the rest of that bevy of fair girls did not dress with any idea of being practical.

To-day we have clothes for every occupation, and the right ones. Only when we are going to a party do we become utterly impractical. Our evening dresses are as absurd as they should be; our late afternoon frocks are extremely feminine; but for walking, games, shopping,



and travelling, we have ideal clothes which remain tidy in a storm, after a night in the train, or a long drive in the car.

Cottons

A great deal of cotton is going to be used this spring, and all sorts of the mixtures that the American fashion writers call synthetic yarns. The writer went to see the Le Sur collection the other day, and found some of the most enchanting materials, plain and figured, in wool and in mixed yarns and in cotton of different kinds. The loosely woven materials are most popular; a new canvas weave in soft woolen crepe is charming.

The rich shades, which the neither pastel nor full colour, the soft, faded shades, the stripes, checks, spots, tartans are all pleasing to look at and to touch. The great idea is to have two or three shades of one colour with a figured material in several colours—striped, checked, or in a tartan—and then make up an ensemble of coat, skirt, and blouse, or else a dress and coat.

Leading Note

This blending of colours and shades of one colour in one ensemble is the leading note of spring fashions up to the present.

Another fashion which is notable is that of different weights of material in an ensemble. A thin dress has a thicker coat. Frequently the coat is in a figured material and the dress in a plain one.

Dress materials of all kinds, wool, silk, cotton, as well as mixtures of different yarns, are now made in families; and that has a marked influence on styles. Of course, there are plain coloured materials, crinkled crepes, and so on, but the new fashion is to have different shades of one colour, and as many as can be pleasantly mixed in one ensemble.

ELEPHANT HAIR BELTS

Flowered Materials Again Popular.

BUSTLES ARE BACK

The rustle of spring is already heard in the dressmakers' establishments, where there are daily shows of spring fashions. The rustle is supplied chiefly by faille and very thick satin.

The former is used for coats in plain colours—dark for the daytime, pastel shades for the evening—and for dresses when it is frequently patterned with brightly coloured flowers.

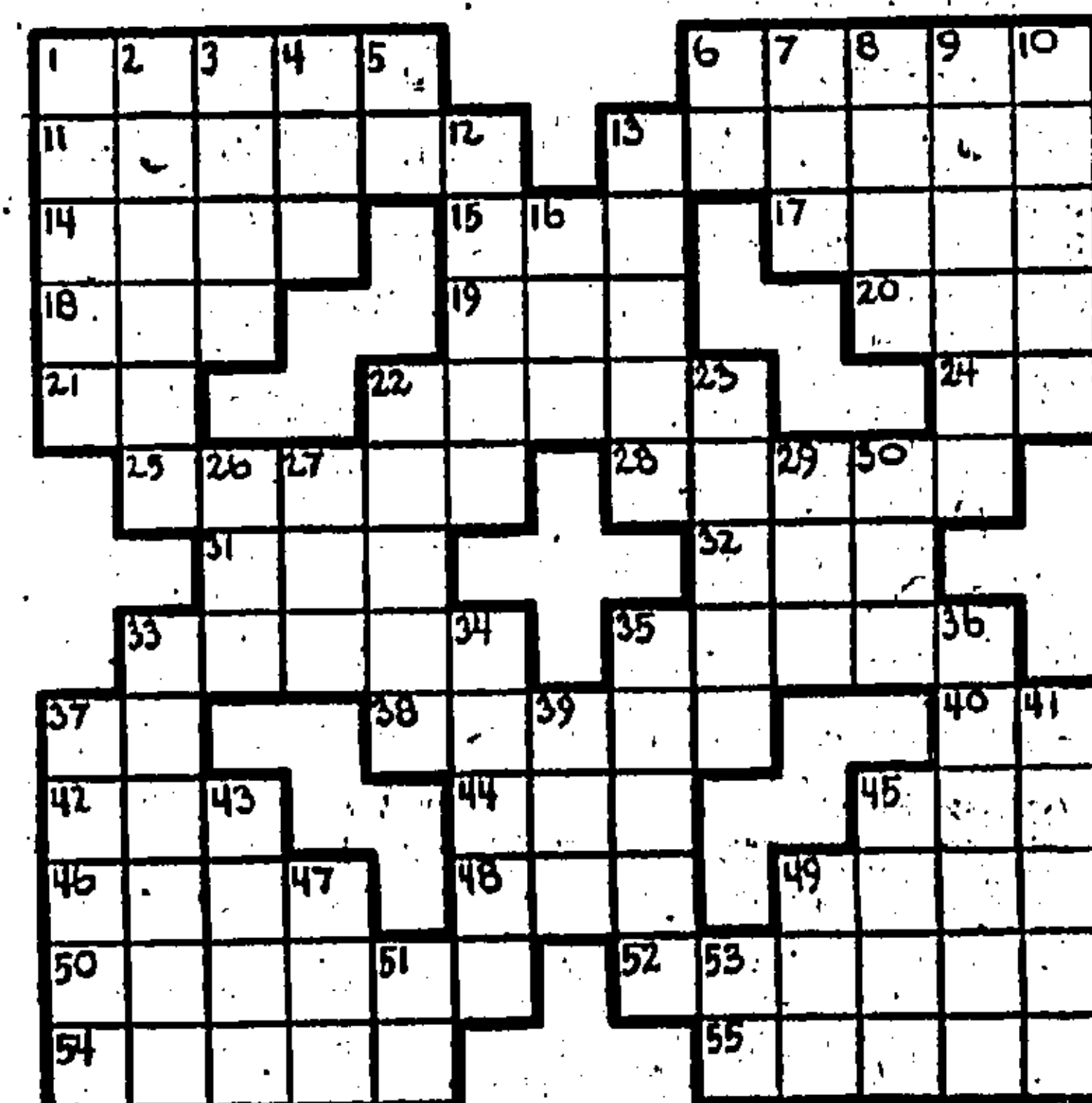
Flowered materials are used again and again. Bustles, petticoats and belts are back. The bustle usually consists of a large bow or two or several, frills carried down the back of the skirt. Petticoats are worn under evening dresses with trains. When the train is lifted the petticoat can be seen.

A novel belt is made from strands of black elephant hair. This was shown on a black evening dress. Wide leather belts are made with all manner of novel metal fastenings. A belt of this kind should not be worn unless the waist is small.

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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL

- 1-A heavy rope for mooring vessels
- 2-Graded
- 3-Appertions
- 4-Infirmary
- 5-Cloove
- 6-Summit
- 7-A rest
- 8-Small bird
- 9-A metric land measure
- 10-Sainte (abbr.)
- 11-Point of compass (abbr.)
- 12-Crest
- 13-Comparative suffix
- 14-One who receives a gift
- 15-A tropical fruit (pl.)
- 16-Bow the head
- 17-Likewise not
- 18-Apparatus for measuring gas
- 19-End
- 20-The (Fr.)

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 21-Type of architecture
- 22-Plural suffix
- 23-Tavern
- 24-Deface
- 25-A serpent
- 26-Portico (Gr. Arch.)
- 27-Consumed
- 28-Intelligent
- 29-A game-fish
- 30-To diminish the intensity of
- 31-Narrow stripe of wood
- 32-Promotor

VERTICAL

- 1-Hurl
- 2-United
- 3-To spot with ink
- 4-Allot
- 5-And (Lat.)
- 6-Musical note
- 7-Answer (abbr.)
- 8-Side
- 9-Excite

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 10-Restrain from acting
- 11-Gaze fixedly
- 12-Rate of motion
- 13-Raw metal
- 14-Surrendered title
- 15-Fright
- 16-Unit
- 17-Used in negation
- 18-A measure of weight
- 19-Epoch
- 20-Partaining to the mind
- 21-Native of Rome
- 22-Kindled
- 23-Make smaller
- 24-Careless, as a boat
- 25-A redent
- 26-Exhausted
- 27-Girl's name
- 28-Military assistant
- 29-Skillful
- 30-Oscillate
- 31-Bone (Lat.)
- 32-Each (abbr.)

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.

NEW NECKLINE STYLE

Shape Of Face Has Influence.

STUDY FACIAL CONTOUR

How do you look in the new high-collared necklines?

If you have a squarish face, with wide cheekbones, don't let anybody get you into one of the latest square necklines. It will just make your face look too big for the rest of you.

There is one exception to this rule. If you have one of those faces that has width at the eyes and cheekbones, and then tapers to a very delicate oval or pear-shaped chin, then a square neckline may give you distinction. You'll have to try it.

If you have always wished that your neck was longer, wear a collar which stands up in the back and down in front. This gives an illusion of length of neck. So too does the almost universally becoming V-neck and the deeper the V, the better for you. Have the sides of

the neckline cut close to your neck for this elongates your neck's appearance. Also the very deep rectangular version of necklines is good for you but keep the collar close on the sides.

If you have a veritable swan's neck, long and slender, topped by a round face, then you will be in your glory in tight little collars that fit snugly and are young and new and cute.

However, if your face is slender and fragile and your neck long and slender, these collars may make you look scrawny and not attractive. Try those which are tight around the neck but flare out at the sides. They have an innocent, childish look that is delightful. Particularly a blouse with such a collar that goes with a dark suit.

Wide cape collars shorten necks. So do fichus. However, if you have an early American fishy complexion and yearn to wear them, you can have them cut slender and long, pointing down to a soft V line. Then they will do wonders for your neck.

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COMPANY MEETINGS
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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, 1, Queen's Building, Victoria, Hong Kong on THURSDAY, the 12th April, 1934, at noon for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 6th April, 1934, to THURSDAY, the 12th April, 1934. Both Days inclusive, during which periods No Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
H. DA LUZ,
Acting Secretary.
Hong Kong, 26th March, 1934.

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WE have To-day admitted Messrs. HAROLD JOHN ARMSTRONG and RALPH ARCHIBALD WADESON as partners in our firm.

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Nazi Jibe at Dollfuss



While Chancellor Engelbert Dollfuss had his hands full with the Austrian Socialist uprising, German Nazis across the border in Munich were making merry at his expense in this manner. A gigantic effigy of the "Pocket Chancellor" is shown being borne through the streets in a Nazi parade.

BRIDGE NOTES

Vanderbilt Club Convention
Explained
(By Lt.-Col. H. M. BEASLEY)

A one Club opening bid is, I find, very popular among players of all nationalities. It is employed in various forms.

As a conventional opening bid, the form which is perhaps best known to bridge players is the Vanderbilt Club opening.

Excellent results are obtained from it, particularly by those who realise that it should not be made merely as a medium for showing 3 to 3½ quick tricks, but to indicate a hand with definite game going possibilities.

The Vanderbilt Club Convention is employed to indicate a hand of the latter order.

A bid of One Club does not guarantee the holding of the Club suit and demands a response from the partner.

If the partner does not hold two quick tricks, he indicates this fact by giving a negative response of One Diamond. This Diamond response in no way guarantees the holding of the Diamond suit.

If the partner holds two quick tricks, two Aces or an Ace and a King and Queen combination he indicates this by giving a positive response in some suit or by One No Trump.

Here is an example of the Club bid, as recommended by Mr. Vanderbilt himself:

S.—A Q J 5 2
H.—A J 10
D.—K Q 10 2
C.—3

Here is a potential game hand and clearly one on which some information is required from partner.

The opening bid by North is One Club, and if we assume that there is no intervening bidding by the opponents, the subsequent bidding by the partners would be something on the following lines:

If South's response is—
1 S North's second bid is 1 S
2 C " " " " 3 N.T.
2 D " " " " 5 D
1 H " " " " 4 H
1 S " " " " 4 S
1 N.T. " " " " 3 N.T.

It is, of course, unnecessary for South to jump the bid; however, great his strength may be; so long as he gives a positive response the bidding will be carried on by North. Naturally, the stronger South's hand is the greater are the more important it becomes to hear what the original Club bidder has to say on the matter.

The first responding bid made by South will naturally vary according to the nature of his hand. If his two quick tricks are in one suit, he can make a response in that suit unless it only contains three cards in which case he can respond with One No Trump. If his two quick tricks are in different suits and neither suit is biddable, his best response is again One No Trump.

If you make use of this Vanderbilt Club Conventional opening bid, a hand which is very powerful but

ROYAL TANKARDS AT NUREMBURG

Tsarist Relics Found In Collection.

THOUGHT TO BE CIVIC PLATE

Berlin.

Six silver tankards which formerly belonged to the Russian Tsarist have been discovered at Nuremberg among a collection of art treasures in the possession of the city authorities.

They were bought by Nuremberg from the Moscow Armoury Museum in 1928 under the impression that they were once part of the civic plate.

Now, as the result of an inventory of the city's possessions having just been made, it has been found that the tankards were made for the Czars by German silversmiths several hundred years ago. They have been placed on exhibition in the Town Hall.

The largest of them bearing the date 1713, commemorates the victory of Peter the Great at Poltava over Charles XII of Sweden.—Reuter.

evenly distributed should be opened with a bid of Two No Trumps.

For example:
S.—A J 10
H.—Q J 9 8
D.—K J 10
C.—A K 6

This hand is very powerful, but lacks the necessary distributional strength to justify a One Club opening bid.

If South responds with a major suit, three Hearts or three Spades, North should merely raise to a game bid. If South responds with a minor suit, three Diamonds or three Clubs, North should then bid Three No Trumps.

An opening bid of One No Trump should indicate a hand of all-round strength, with no biddable suit but at least 3 quick tricks and potential stoppers in each suit.

The following is an example:

S.—A J 10
H.—J 8 4
D.—A J 5
C.—A 8 7 3

On the other hand, an opening bid of One Spade, One Heart, or One Diamond is made on a hand of moderate strength but suitable distribution, for example:

S.—Q 10 8 7 6
H.—A 10 9
D.—K Q 10 9
C.—J

The above hand contains only two quick tricks, but is distributionally strong enough for a One Spade opening bid. Partner must be careful not to raise a suit bid of one unless he is fairly strong.

A Two Club opening bid takes the place of the regulation One Club and is usually made on a hand of the following design:

S.—A 9 8
H.—K 10 4
D.—J 10
C.—K Q 10 9 5 4

RADIO

TO-DAYS PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcasted to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wave length of 355 metres (845 K.C.s):—

1-2 p.m.—European Programme.
1 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.

1.05 p.m.—Recorded Music.
1.15 p.m.—A relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Orchestra from the Hong Kong Hotel Grill Room.

1.30 p.m.—Rugby Press News, etc.
2.15 p.m.—Close Down.

Humorous Interlude from the Studio
Dual Transmission To-day.

5-6 p.m.—European Programme.
5.6 p.m.—A relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Dance Orchestra from the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden.

6-6.30 p.m.—Children's Studio Concert.

Uncle Peter will give the third of his talks on Typical English Institutions "A Country Fair".

6.30 p.m.—From the Studio.
"Mrs. R. C. Carter (of the Institute of Pacific Relations) will speak on the subject of "Co-operation Between the Nations of the Pacific."

6.30-7.30 p.m.—Recorded Music.
6.30-7 p.m.—Orchestral.

Overture—Light Cavalry (Suppe)
Shepherd's Hey (Grainger)

Molly On the Shore (Grainger)
Royal Opera Orch. Covent Garden.

Coppelia Ballet (Dance of the Automata and Waltz) (Delibes)
Caprice Viennaise (Kreisler)

San Francisco Symphony Orch.
Directed by Alfred Hertz.

Love for Three Oranges (Prokofiev)
London Symphony Orchestra,
directed by Albert Coates.

7 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations, etc.
7.04-7.30 p.m.—Variety.

Song—
By the Waters of Minnetonka
Mavis Bennett (Soprano)

Violin Solo—
La Fille Aux Cheveux De Lin
(The Maiden with Flaxen Hair)
En Bateau (Boating) Fritz Kreisler.

Orchestral—
A Little Love, A Little Kiss
(Un Feu d'Amour)
Because Albert Sandler & His Orch.

Song—
Sweetheart Darlin'
Danny Malone (Tenor)

Orchestral—
Waldteufel Memories
De Groot and his Orch.

7.30-8 p.m.—From the Studio.
Humorous Interlude by Bryan Lewis.

(1) "Gunner Joe" (The Naval Opposite number to "Sam")

(11) "An Eyewitness account of the Oxbridge v. Camford Boat Race rowed in America.

(111) Answers to various correspondents (carefully selected)

8 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.

8.05-10.30 p.m.—Chinese Concert from the Studio.

10.30 p.m.—Close Down.
All relays of the Hong Kong Hotel Orchestra are by courtesy of the Management and during the intervals recorded music will be broadcast from the Studio.

8.30-10 p.m.—European recorded programme Broadcast by "Z.E.K." on 640 K.C.s.

Orchestral—
Dance Macabre (Dance of Death) (Saint-Saens, Op. 40)

Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra conducted by Leopold Stokowski.
Les Preludes—Symphonic Poem (Liszt)

London Symphony Orchestra directed by Albert Coates.

Octet—
Valse Caprice (Rubinstein, arr. Crooke)
J. H. Squire Celeste Octet.

Vocal Gems—
Helen (Offenbach, arr. Korngold)
Columbia Light Opera Co.

Selection—
The Land of Smiles (Lohar)
London Theatre Orchestra.

Song—
Chorus, Gentlemen (Lohr)
Percy Hemling (Baritone)

Band Music—
Aldershot Command Searchlight Tattoo—"Carmen"—Selection (Bizet)

played by the Massed Band of the Aldershot Command conducted by Bandmaster C. B. Hewitt.

Vocal Gems—
Rose Marie (Friml)
No, No, Nanette (Youmans)
Light Opera Company.

Orchestral—
Viennese Memories of Lehar (arr. Henry Hall)
The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra.

Song—
Bright is the Ring of Words (Vaughan Williams)
The Roadside Fire (Vaughan Williams)

Stuart Robertson (Baritone)

For Trot—
You're an old Smoother (Nice Goings On)

Waltz—
Adorable
Ben Selvin and his Orchestra.

10 p.m.—Close Down.

JAW FRACTURED WHILE KISSING

Budapest.
A Budapest cook named Rozal Balog has brought an action against a policeman for "insolent kissing".
She alleges that he kissed her in a public house so violently that her jaw was fractured.—Reuter.

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WISE AND OTHERWISE

DINNER-TIME PROVERB
"What is done cannot be undone."

TEMPORARILY IN SEINE
"Many of the wilder rioters in Paris were deliberately pushed into the river," runs a news item.

FAR-FETCHED
A British short story writer complains that British editors use such a lot of American fiction. Yes; and sometimes they call it "news."

Francis is out to show—
That fifty million Frenchmen can't be wronged.

ALL INSIDE
"One a few children were visible in the long straggling village street," records a week-end walker. Perhaps they had just opened.

KIDDIES' KORNER
Once there was a woman who never asked her husband if she was his first love. Her name was Eve.

MAXIM FOR SHIRKERS
Half a loaf is better than no loaf at all.

AGREED
A writer says that there is no short cut to success. Taxi-drivers have known this for some time.

Silly Statements Department
A zoologist says that a rattlesnake never strikes twice in the same place. It doesn't need to.

WITHOUT EXCEPTION
"How often has a woman won the Grand National?" asks a writer. Never. So far as has always been a horse.

Old Joke About Referees
A set of false teeth and a boot were found recently on a football field in the north. The remainder of the referees apparently escaped.

PILLION-GIRL'S TRAGEDY
Summer—faded.
Winter—faded.

One For Lady Astor
A man of 194 who died recently drank three pints of beer daily until the week he died. We have always inclined to the opinion that alcohol is a poison.

IN TUNE
A party of Salvation Army bandmen played a musical 3.0.8 when stranded off the Isle of Wight. They were naturally all at C.

INHALE AND HEARTY
A centenarian, confessed in an interview that he smokes fifty cigarettes a day.

CHINESE RAILWAY DEFAULTS

Sir John Simon's Statement.

MARCH 1933 INSTALMENT COMPLETED

London.
China's persistent default on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway loan has again been the subject of a statement by the British Foreign Minister, Sir John Simon, in the House of Commons.

Sir John was replying to a question by Mr. Moreing, the Unionist member for Preston. He said that renewed representations on the subject from the British Minister in China had been replied to by the Chinese Foreign Minister in a note dated December 2.

The note stated that every effort was being made to provide for payments into the special reserve account intended to serve for eventual liquidation of the loans.

Sir John went on to say that certain comparatively small sums had been deposited irregularly, and the instalment due for March 1933, was now completed. The total amount, he added, at present stood at 509,352-83 dollars.

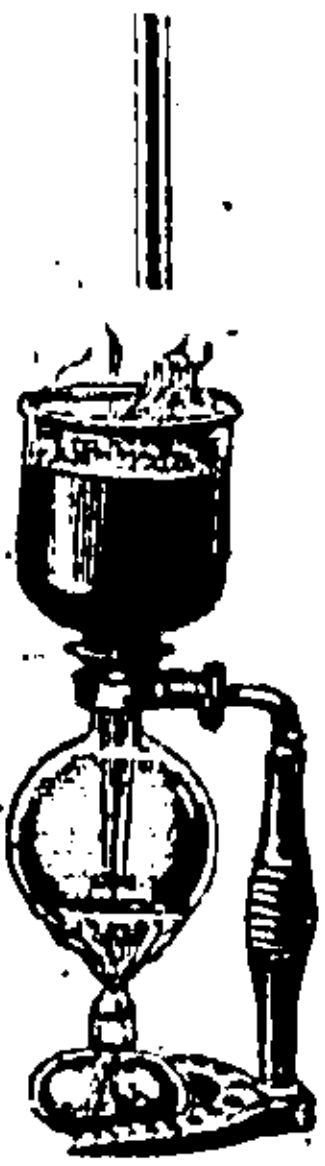
Unsatisfactory Position.
No information regarding the earnings of the railway during the past twelve months had been received. The position was far from satisfactory, and constant efforts were being made and would continue to be made by the British Legation in China to secure an adequate liquidation of the sums in default.

In reply to another question by Mr. Moreing, Sir John Simon said: "On February 7, 1933, when the last comprehensive estimate made, the arrears of interest due to British holders of Chinese railway bonds was understood to amount to more than 25,000,000 sterling. Since then, in spite of a few repayments made on the Shanghai-Nanking Railway Loan of 1905, the Shanghai-Hangchow-Ningpo Railway Loan of 1908, and the Tientsin-Pukow Railway Loan (German issue of 1908), I regret to say that the total amount of indebtedness has somewhat increased."

"His Majesty's representative in China has, under instructions from His Majesty's Government, recently impressed once again upon the Chinese Government the necessity of taking the situation in hand without delay, and has suggested that the competent departments of the Chinese Government should, forthwith, in consultation with the Commercial Counsellor of His Majesty's Legation, devise means for resuming the interest services on the loans now in default."

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ALLOWS LEACH TO DEAD HEAT

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HALLOWELL SHATTERS 30 YEARS OLD HALF MILE RECORD

London, Mar. 12.
Oxford won the University Sports at the White City Stadium on Saturday by 7 events to 4 achieving exactly what was expected of them.

Only one new record was set up, N. P. Hallowell, Oxford's huge striding American Olympic finalist, running the half-mile in 1min. 54.1-sec. as against K. Cornwallis's 1min. 54.4-sec. thirty years ago.

At the end of the third quarter of the Mile race, there was still time for J. E. Lovelock (Oxford) to beat his own world's record of 4min. 6.3-sec., and many spectators were puzzled as to the reason why he so obviously allowed A. B. Leach to make a dead heat of it. Those who had seen J. G. Cornes make the same kindly concession to Lovelock himself two years ago realised why. The second and third strings in the Mile got only a Half Blue, the Full Blue being awarded for a win. A dead-heat, however, count as a win, so A. B. Leach got the much-desired reward.

The outstanding feat of the day, was the remarkable performance of C. F. Stanwood (Oxford) in claiming three events for the second year in succession. He gained an early victory in the 120 yards hurdles, won the high jump, and then raced across the arena for the 220 yards hurdles event, which he won comfortably.

The following were the detailed results:

100 Yards. E. I. Davis (Eastbourne) and Emmanuel (Cambridge), 1. C. J. E. Betty (Haverfordwest and Down) (Cambridge), 2. C. R. Borland (Glasgow Academy, and Brasenose) (Oxford), 3. G. H. Lang (King's College School, Wimbledon, and Christ Church) (Oxford), 4. Won by 4 ft. a foot, Time, 10 sec.

Half Mile. N. P. Hallowell (Harvard, U.S.A., and Balliol) (Oxford), 1. J. C. Stothard (Merchiston and Caius) (Cambridge), 2. C. J. Tucker (Highgate and St. Catharine's) (Cambridge), 3. M. W. Lister (Gresham's and Oriel) (Oxford), 4. Won by 3 yards; 6 yards, Time, 1 min. 54.1-sec. (Inter-Varsity record).

120 Yards Hurdles. C. F. Stanwood (Bowdoin College; U.S.A. and

NAVY DRAW WITH ARMY AT HOCKEY

(Continued from Page 4.)

The Army forwards were very fast, but over-eagerness on the part of Lal Singh, who was frequently penalised in the second half for being off-side, spoiled many excellent opportunities.

Play became rough in the latter stages of the game, when barging and stick slashing became prominent. Dulla Singh and Lt. Cavaye were both cautioned, while Lt. Donald received a hit over the eye, which, however, was not serious.

The Naval halves were not as strong as their opponents, but the two backs played a safe game. Surg. Lt. Comdr. Phillips indulged in one handed play, but covered his wing man very effectively, giving him no little scope.

He was, nevertheless, slow in recovering after tackling an opponent.

This was the third match in the present Triangular Tournament series. The Army have met the Hong Kong Club, twice, drawing with 2 goals each in the first meeting and winning the second by 3 to 1.

Army:—Pte. Hollingsworth (Lincoln); Lieut. N. W. Metcalfe (Royal Artillery); Lieut. D. P. St. C. Molesley (Lincoln); L/C Yeomans (Lincoln); Nk. Dulla Singh (Punjab Regiment); and L/Nk. Asaf, D. (Punjab Regiment); Lieut. C. P. G. Singh (Punjab Regiment); W. O. Senior (A. E. C.); Lieut. C. C. Garthwaite (Royal Artillery); and L/Nk. Lal Singh (Punjab Regiment).

Navy:—Lt. Cavaye (Medway); Surg. Lt. Comdr. Phillips (Captain) (Suffolk); and Lt. Cdr. Tidd (Suffolk); Lt. Muspratt (Suffolk); Lt. Cdr. Hill (Medway); and Lt. (E) Wood (Medway); Lt. Donald (Medway); Lt. Eaden (Medway); Lt. Curry (Medway); Lt. Cdr. Atkinson (Eagle); and Lt. Anderson (Eagle).

TABLE TO DATE

	F	W	L	D	F	A	P
Army	3	1	2	5	4	4	
Navy	1	0	1	1	1	1	
Club	2	0	1	1	2	1	

WRESTLING TOURNAMENT CONFUSION

Wild Scenes Mark "All-In" Contest

AMERICAN DISQUALIFIED IN JOHANNESBURG BOUT

Johannesburg.
Wild scenes marked the end of the "all-in" wrestling contest between Ben Sherman (Canada) and Henry Irslinger (United States), following the disqualification of the American in the fourth round.

Rain fell throughout the tournament—an open-air event—making conditions most difficult for the grapplers.

The men were wrestling on the ropes in about the middle of the fourth round when Sherman's head became caught between the upper and middle strands. Irslinger immediately grabbed the Canadian's head and proceeded to bend it, using the ropes as a fulcrum. There Sherman struggled all trussed up with his head, as it were, in a hangman's noose.

Irslinger's own second was the first to realise the danger of strangulation to Sherman, and rushed round to free him! Irslinger warded him off with a wild swing and continued to work on the helpless Sherman's head.

Referee Intervenes

Then referee Van-Rensburg, the South African wrestler, took a hand in the game. He caught Irslinger round the middle, sent him slithering across the wet ring, and followed him up and sat on him.

Irslinger then transferred his attention to Van Rensburg, and a good old "free for all" looked like developing, but by this time several more people had climbed into the ring and some semblance of order restored, with Sherman being declared the winners.

Irslinger appeared to be in first-class condition, and he did most of the attacking, and such holds as like bringing about falls were secured by Irslinger, and it required all Sherman's wonderful ability to escape from some of these.

Irslinger certainly had the better of the two opening rounds, although cautioned frequently for gouging and such-like gentle arts of the "all-in" technique.

In the interval after the second round Sherman discarded his boots, Irslinger protesting strongly at this. But Sherman gained little advantage from this change, and in the third round Irslinger got him in a "jack-knife" twice in quick succession, from which Sherman had to employ all his ingenuity to escape.

The end came in the next round with the disqualification of Irslinger.—Reuter.

CUP FINAL OFFICIALS

Upon the recommendation of the Referees' Committee, the Football Association have agreed to the appointment of the following officials for the F.A. Cup Final between Manchester City and Portsmouth at Wembley on April 21:

Referee: S. F. Rous (Hertfordshire).

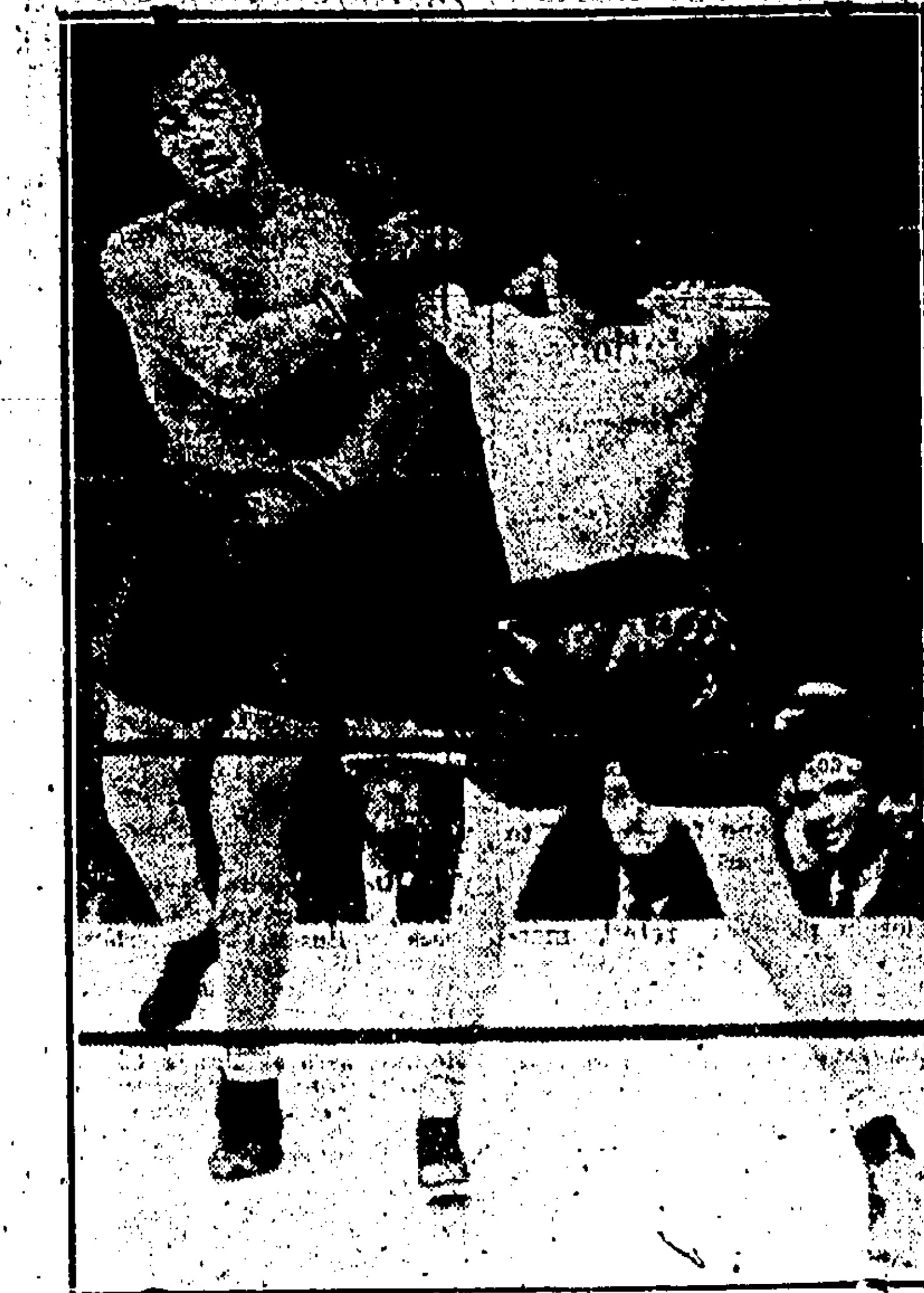
Linesmen: G. W. Ward (Nottinghamshire) and F. C. Wells (Sussex).

RIFLE SHOOTING WORLD RECORD

R. T. Hempel established a world record at the Victorian Rifle Association meeting in Melbourne by scoring possibilities at 700, 800, and 900 yards. He had ten shots for each range.

China Mail Sports Diary

SATURDAY
Football.—First Division
Club v. Rovers
(Club ground, 4.45 p.m.)
Rovers v. Chinese Athletic
(Rovers ground, 4.45 p.m.)
Royal Artillery v. Borderers
(Buckingham, 4.45 p.m.)
Police v. South China
(Caroline Hill, 4.45 p.m.)
Hockey.—Interport
Hong Kong v. Malaya
(King's Park, 4 p.m.)
Yachting.—
Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club's
Commodore's Cup for racing
yachts.



PRIMO CARNERA, world heavyweight boxing champion, parries a left during his title bout with Tommy Loughran at Miami last month. His small opponent gave a magnificent exhibition of pluck refusing to take the knock-out, though hardly able to stand in the last round.

EAST LANCAS WIN BOXING

Lincolns And Borderers
Beaten In Finals.

HONG KONG AREA ANNUAL COMPETITION

THE East Lancashires won the Hong Kong Area Boxing Championships at Shamshui last night when they secured the Inter-Unit title from the Lincolns and the Inter-Unit Novices' championship from the Borderers.

Among the large crowd of officers and other ranks present were H.E. the G.O.C., Major General O. C. Borrett, Col. F. P. Nosworthy, Lieut. Col. E. J. de C. Boys, Lieut. A. C. Marsh, Lieut. Col. G. T. Raikes, Major H. M. J. McIntyre, Capt. C. E. Elliott Heywood and Major H. R. Shillington.

At the conclusion of the bouts, exhibition fights were staged between Pte. Bennett and Pte. Holcroft, and Pte. Thorpe and L/Cpl. Smith, all of whom were from the East Lancs, following which the H.E. the G.O.C. presented the trophies.

The results of last night's events were as follows:

Inter-Unit Novices' Competition.
Light Heavy-Weight.—Pte. Gray (East Lancs) beat L/Cpl. Watkins (S.W.B.s) on points.

Middle-Weight.—Pte. Dillon (East Lancs) obtained a walk-over from Pte. Pugh (S.W.B.s), who was pronounced unfit.

Second Stage Welter-Weight.—Pte. Herbert (East Lancs) knocked out Pte. Cox (S.W.B.s).

Light-Weight.—Pte. Powley (East Lancs) beat Pte. Thomas (S.W.B.s) on points.

Feather-Weight.—Bandsman Luff (East Lancs) beat Pte. Bowen (S.W.B.s) on points.

Bantam-Weight.—Pte. Ralston (East Lancs) obtained a walk-over.

First Stage Welter-Weight.—L/Cpl. Smith (East Lancs) obtained a walk-over, his opponent being pronounced unfit.

Inter-Unit Competition.
Light-Heavy-Weight.—Pte. Jordan (East Lancs) beat Cpl. Chikien (Lincolns) on technical knock-out.

Middle-Weight.—Bandsman Sage (East Lancs) lost to Pte. Doering (Lincolns) on points.

Second Stage Welter-Weight.—Pte. Nelson (East Lancs) beat Pte. Fall (Lincolns) on points.

Light-Weight.—Drummer Quilter (East Lancs) beat Pte. Woolnough (Lincolns) on points.

Feather-Weight.—Pte. Whitehouse (East Lancs) knocked out L/Cpl. Herring (Lincolns).

Bantam-Weight.—Pte. Bennett (East Lancs) obtained walk-over, the Lincolns being unable to find an opponent.

First Stage Welter-Weight.—L/Cpl. Mason (East Lancs) received walk-over from Pte. Hope.

SCHMELING INJURES HAND

Bout With Uzcudun
Postponed.

SPANISH BASQUE'S COMEBACK

Barcelona, Mar. 31.

The fight between Max Schmeling, the former world heavy weight champion, and the veteran Paulino Uzcudun, scheduled for April 8, has been indefinitely postponed, it was announced to-day, because of an injury to Schmeling's hand.

It was to have been the climax of a three-day boxing tournament here.—Associated Press.

Uzcudun hopes to fight Primo Carnera for the title once again, and has signified that he is agreeable to fight towards the end of this month in Buenos Aires. Following this proposed battle he intends to meet Vittorio Campolo and Jose Santa among other leading South American heavyweights.

In his last fight against Carnera he was beaten on points in spite of the fact that the Italian had a damaged hand.

MICKEY WALKER TRIUMPHS

Hollywood, Mar. 29.
Mickey Walker, the former middleweight boxing champion, won a decision from Tom Patrick, of Los Angeles in a 10-round bout here to-night. Walker gave away 15 pounds, scaling 171 to 186.—Associated Press.

HARVEY v PETERSEN

London, Mar. 28.
Len Harvey is defending his title against Petersen at the White City outdoors on June 4.—Reuter.

WOMEN'S GOLF

Miss Virginia Van Wie, the United States national golf champion, and Mrs. Glenna Collett Vare, five times winner of the title, are to make a bid to win for America this year the British Women's Golf Open Championship, at Portcawl from May 11 to May 17, the only major golf title which America has not yet won.

who failed to make the weight.

Pte. Fall (Lincolns) was presented with the "Best Loser's" cup for last night's contests and L/Cpl. Mason (East Lancs) with a similar trophy for the previous night's bouts.

The Inter-Unit Shield, which was presented by the Soldiers' Club Committee and competed for the first time this year was received on behalf of the East Lancs by Bandsman Quilter.

RACING SUMMARY

(Continued from Page 4.)

Liberty Bay (Proulx 160), Trentbridge (Heard 160), Coesack's Beauty (Pote-Hunt 160), Glad Eyes (Pung 140), Jungle Jim (Liang 160).

Gold Bullion (Pote-Hunt 155), Wonderful Stag (Deitz 159), Mike (P. Butello 155).

1 MILE 171 YARDS
Trentbridge (Chang 161), Sadko (Soares 161), Glencagles (Frost 158).

Surprise (Marshall 161), Young Chap (Heard 156), Chow Fan (Harriman 152).

Woodland Stag (Frost 160), Polar Star (Butler 160), Night Star (Li 160).

Helter Skelter (Heard 165), Bistre (S. N. Pan 160), Gay Butterfly (Pih 163).

Soldier of China (Sun 161), Macaroni (Heard 164), Prima Donna (Soares 161).

Bright Star (Liang 150), Flying Tourist (Frost 160), Sporting Life (S. N. Pan 149).

Prima Donna (Harriman 161), Soldier of Britain (Deitz 161), Ribble (Heard 161).

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1 1/4 MILES
Liberty Bay (Frost 161), King's Justice (Chang 158), Gay Crusader (Deitz 158).

Hydroplane (Proulx 161), Bright View (Wong 161), New Star (Li 161).

Able Amazon (Li 155), Racing Heart (Pih 158), Mutiny Bay (Butler 149).

Tiny Star (Li 165), Surprise (Marshall 160), Soldier of Fortune (Sun 158).

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Liberty Bay (Frost 161), King's Justice (Chang 158), Tiana (Butler 159).

Macaroni (Heard 161), Sporting Life (S. W. Pan 161), Bay View (Wong 161).

Glencagles (Frost 155), Sadko (Soares 153), Hetman (Chang 160), Tiny Star (Li 158), Cavalcade (Heard 156), Surprise (Marshall 161).

Trentbridge (Chang 160), Brechin (Deitz 161), Blue Star (Wong 161).

Bag Tor (Wong 156), Bronze Era (Deitz 162), The Goose (Butler 149).

Liberty Bay (Frost 161), Trentbridge (Chang 161), Glencagles (Butler 158).

Tiny Star (Frost 158), Classic Hall (Wong 155), Surprise (Marshall 161).

Bronze Era (Deitz 152), Able Amazon (Chang 155), Bag Tor (Wong 156).

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THURSDAY, APRIL 5, 1934.

TALKIE TALKS

Diary

JANET GAYNOR AT HER BEST IN "HOUSE OF CONNELLY"

MARIE DRESSLER AND LIONEL BARRYMORE CO-STARRED IN "MY SWEETHEART."

Laurel And Hardy In Full Length Comedy.

JANET Gaynor has seldom been seen to better advantage than in "The House of Connelly." She puts a lot of character into her part, and is devoid of that simpering manner that marked her first appearance in the talkies.

The story is fine and clean, with chances for many emotions without being too dramatic, and adding that touch of romance that the Gaynor "fans" demand in her films.

Lionel Barrymore as the penniless old Uncle, whose love affair had been shattered by the affair of his sister-in-law, will pride of his sister-in-law, rank among his screen triumphs. His end is one of the most moving in the picture.

The production is set in the picturesque surroundings of the Southern State of Carolina, and is most artistically photographed. Paul Green's novel has been skilfully adapted to the screen by the English author, Reginald Berkeley, and Henry King the director, given a free hand, displaying that human touch, (avoiding the theatrical and false sentiment) that we have learned to associate with his work.

The story tells of the Connelly family broken-down aristocrats, living in the glories of the past, letting the old mansion go to decay through poverty, and the absence of desire to do anything to improve their straitened circumstances.

When "Joanna" (Miss Gaynor) a poor orphan girl, farms some of the land and grows tobacco, she has to fight desperately against prejudice and tradition.

Henrietta Crossman gives a very convincing rendering of the character of old Mrs. Connelly, with Almeda Fowler effective as the hard-faced daughter.

Robert Young, the son "Will," who loves "Joanna" is natural and sincere. It is a pity that Richard Cromwell, as the village shop-keeper, has so small a part. I noticed the name of Mona Barrie, who is worth watching. I think this little girl is Australian. I never did like Stepin Fetchit, but some people think his "darkie" humour amusing.

The picture is notable for its well-drawn character studies, and, with little plot, the detail work leads to strong dramatic situations.

Don't miss seeing it at the King's.

"The Last Trail" In "The Last Trail," racketeers supply the villainy on the ancestral ranch of the hero, George O'Brien. The story is typically Zane Grey, and comedy is predominant with El Brendel, sharing honours with the star.

In place of cowboys coming to the rescue we have city speed cops, which rather takes away the Western atmosphere. (King's).

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We are given comedy and farce in full measure, with Charlie Chase helping them along in their innumerable escapades.

The two heroes want to attend a Convention of their Lodge in Chicago, and give as an excuse to their wives, (Mae Busch and Dorothy Christie) that Hardy must take a trip to Honolulu for his nerves. The ship in which they are supposed to have travelled is wrecked, and they are caught in the lee that gave them their freedom, which they enjoyed to the full.

Stan Laurel is as usual, always slow in the up-take and ready with that celebrated wall. His pantomime with the wax fruit is specially amusing.

Mr. Hardy is the master, and Charlie Chase and Lucien Littlefield are excellent as Yellow con-



Janet Gaynor & Richard Cromwell who appear in the Fox production "Carolina" at the King's Theatre on Sunday, April 8.

sort of a grand sense of humour, but considerable charm. "Broadway Through a Keyhole" Walker Winchell, the columnist who became famous telling the "low-down" about the "higher-ups," is rated today as the highest paid journalist in his line.

Film like "Blessed Event" "Is my face Red?" "The Penalty of Fame," and others have contrived to tell the story of this personage, who is really feared. Yet, strange as it may seem, no one has ever sued him so that the witty, rather cruel stuff he daily writes in his column is without question, the Truth.

When he wrote "Broadway through a Keyhole," Al Jolson stated that this story was based on the life romance of his wife, Ruby Keeler. Winchell did not say much, but it gave a lot of free advertisement to his first scenario.

There is really not much connection in the lives of Mrs. Jolson and the heroine of this film, except that she is a dancer in a famous night-club. This part is in the dainty hands of Constance Cummings. As an innocent orphan girl, who, through the kindly influence of a racketeer (Paul Kelly she is given work in a Night-club run by the celebrated hostess, the late Texas Guinan (Mrs. Jolson also started her theatrical life in this way) and makes good. There is a lot of drama when she falls in love with a "Crooner," (Russ Colombo, who ranks with Bing Crosby and Rudy Vallee for popularity in the United States).

The hero gangster, has a heart of gold, and instead of "taking the crooner for a ride," he murmurs, "Be good to her," and resigns the girl he loves to the man she loves.

Paul Kelly, (who played the original hero in "Bad Girl" on Broadway) plays his first screen role, since a private life tragedy shattered his career some years ago. He makes the gangster a compelling and interesting fellow, and this man should do big things in his future film career.

I noticed the name of Blossom Seeley. I knew her years ago when she was a famous vaudeville star, and married one of the greatest Baseball pitchers of his day. Now she is added to the list of "Over-forties" who are making names for themselves in the talkies.

The late Texas Guinan just plays herself, and that means she is splendid in her own type. The song and dance numbers are a bright. Russ Colombo is a better crooner than actor, and Lowell Sherman, the director, handles the production with his usual mastery.

Don't miss this at the Alhambra.

"Roman Scandals" On April 14, we are promised the funniest and best film Eddie Cantor has given us. "Roman Scandals," at the Queen's and Alhambra. It is bubbling, joyous and beautiful, with a chariot race and the finish which puts "Ben Hur" in the shade. It should be the biggest laugh of the month.

"I Am Suzanne" Lillian Harvey, Gene Raymond and Leslie Banks in "I Am Suzanne" is the best thing that Hollywood has turned out for the time being. This little drama with music, and the marionettes will please here, as elsewhere, and is the best work done by Miss Harvey.

"Sitting Pretty" This is followed by "Sitting Pretty" with Jack Oakie, Jack Haley, Ginger Rogers, and Thelma Todd among others. The songs will be a "rags" party. "Did you ever see a Dream Walking?" is a new song, and "I Am Suzanne" is a new song, and "I Am Suzanne" is a new song.

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H.K. Boy Scouts Association

BANK MANAGER WEDS.

Registry Office Function.

MORHAUS-BAUMANN

A pretty wedding took place at the Registry Office, Supreme Court, yesterday afternoon, when Miss Zina Baumann was married to Mr. J. M. Morhaus, the acting manager of the Netherlands Indische Commercial Bank.

Subsequently a reception was held at the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel where a large gathering was present to drink the health of the happy couple.

Mr. and Mrs. Morhaus will leave by the Empress of Japan tomorrow for Shanghai where the Church ceremony will take place, after which they will leave for Japan where the honeymoon will be spent.

now to take pictures for the coming release in which Clark Gable and Claudette Colbert will be co-starred, also for local colour for the filming of "Good Earth."

Short Shots. Lupe Velez and her husband Johnny Weissmuller, despite the fact that they fight and fight—it is "feisty-feisty" Lupe says do not talk of divorce—yet.

Kay Francis may be the film's best dressed actress, but to her husband Kenneth McKenna, she was not, and he did not hesitate to say so. Hence the divorce.

Joan Crawford when questioned about her marriage to Franchot Tone in April—emphatically states she will not marry again. "The pain is too great a price to pay, when the happiness does not endure" she wisely remarks.

After the big hit made by Elizabeth Allan in "Men in White," wherein she acts with Clark Gable and Myrna Loy, she has resigned to M.G.M. for another year, but will take three months holiday in England before starting work again.

Jean Harlow has settled her salary argument with M.G.M. and will take a paltry \$3,000, instead of \$5,000. Lee Tracy will start work with Universal, but has only signed for one picture, so far.

Mae West wanted the new "It" man, Max Baer, for her leading man in "It ain't no sin," but the fighting film star, wanted to be co-starred in letters as big as Mae's, and Paramount would not agree.

Anna Sten, the Soviet star, is a sensation in her first Hollywood film, "Nana." Is now at work with Fredrick March and Rouben Mamoulian in "Resurrection."

Mary Ellis, who was the original "Rose Marie," will play with Conrad Veidt in the British production of Hichens, "Bella Donna."

George Cukor who made, "Little Women" is to visit England for the right atmosphere for the filming of "David Copperfield."

Veree Teasdale will play, "Josephine" with Edward G. Robinson as Napoleon, as Kay Francis will be too busy in "Du Barry."

Wendy Barrie will be leading lady with Clifford Mollison in the B. I. P. "Freedom of the Seas" by Walter Hackett.

Harold Lloyd will sing for the first time in his new film "Catspaw." Snub Pollard, the New Zealand actor, remembered in the silent movies, will return to the films in "Singsong," in which Richard Dix and Irene Dunne will co-star.

George Raft is joining the cast of Mae West's new film, "It ain't no sin."

Katharine Hepburn has asked to be released from the stage production of "The Lake" on Broadway. She knows now she is a much better screen actress, and will start at the R.K.O. studio on "The Tudor Wench" shortly.

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Governor Praises Work.

PRINCE OF WALES BANNER PRESENTED

His Excellency, the Governor, Sir William Peel, K.C.M.G., who is Chief Scout, presided at the annual meeting of the Hong Kong branch of the Boy Scouts Association, held last evening at Sandilands Hut.

His Excellency praised the work of the Association, and made a strong appeal for funds to clear the \$6,000 Bank overdraft incurred in connection with the Salwan Camp.

Mention was made of the retirement from the office of President, the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall; the departure later in the year of the Commissioner, Rev. G. T. Waldegrave; and of an invitation from Australia to local Scouts in connection with the visit there this year of the Chief Scout, Lord Baden-Powell.

The Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, on the occasion of his resignation from the office of President, was presented with a memento of his connection with the Association.

On arrival, His Excellency presented the Prince of Wales Banner to the No. 10 (St. Paul's College) Hong Kong Troop, the winner in last year's competitions.

At the meeting which followed, His Excellency was supported by Lady Southern, the Commissioner of Girl Guides, the Commissioner (Rev. Mr. G. T. Waldegrave), the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall (President of the Association), Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau (Hon. Treasurer), and others.

LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

A total of 2.11 inches of rainfall were recorded at the Botanical Gardens, Caine Road, during the month of March. The largest amount in a single day was shown on March 29 when .62 inch was recorded. Rain fell on ten days during March.

Chan Sze-kang, an employee of the Ah Moi Canning Factory, was yesterday removed to the Kowloon Hospital suffering from injuries to his right hand which he caught in the pulley of a machine.

A fine of \$18, in default three weeks' imprisonment, was imposed on Chan Fat, unemployed, by Mr. Q. A. A. MacFadyen at the Central Police Court this morning, for stealing a basket containing six pieces of clothing on board the a.s. Kwong Tung at the Yuen On Wharf yesterday.

Convicted on a charge of loitering with intent to steal goods and chattels, Kwok Fuk-tze and Li Sheung, were sentenced to three months' and one month's hard labour, respectively, by Mr. Q. A. A. MacFadyen at the Central Police Court this morning.

She Yee-tak, of 45 Yuk Kim Street, was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital as the result of jumping from a motor car while it was in motion in Hennessy Road yesterday.

Chung See and Lo Ping, two employees of the Fung Kang Rubber Factory, were removed to the St. Paul's Hospital yesterday, suffering from injuries to face and legs, received when the exhaust pipe of a petrol engine burst.

In view of the departure from the Colony of the Rev. W. W. Rogers, the Bishop of Hong Kong will induct the Rev. J. R. Higgs M.A. as Vicar of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, on Sunday morning next at 11 a.m. The Bishop will preach at this service.

Letters of administration for the local estate, valued at \$18,700, of Fok Leong Si, concubine, who died on October 21, at the age of 54, have been granted to Fok Kwai-sin, husband, of 10 Essex Crescent, Kowloon Tong.

The Acting President of the Theosophical Society, Mr. W. C. Felahow, will be the speaker at this evening's public meeting. The Lecture will commence at 8 p.m. in the Lodge Room at 17, Queen's Road Central, and Mr. Felahow's subject will be "Sufism."

General Hans von Seeckt, world famous German military authority who is taking over of the post formerly occupied by General Wetzell, as chief military adviser to General Chiang Kai-shek's Nationalist forces, arrived yesterday by the P. and O. liner Naldera, en route to Shanghai.

Mr. Edward Carter, Secretary-General of the Institute of Pacific Relations, arrived in the Colony yesterday morning by the Empress of Japan, en route to the North, and is accompanied by Mrs. Carter and two secretaries, and is making a periodical tour of Far Eastern countries, having just returned from Manila.

A fine of \$10 on each of six summons was imposed on the Sincere Company for failing to stamp certain rent receipts. The summonses were dated June 1, 1933; July 2, 1933; September 1, 1933; October 6, 1933; December 7, 1933; and January 8, 1934. A meeting of the Company said it was the fault of the shroffs, who were sent out with rent receipt forms together with stamps.

CUTS IN ARMY ALLOWANCES

CONFIRMED

But Details Not Yet Available.

WAR OFFICE PARTICULARS NOW IN THE MAIL

That cuts are to be made in the allowances of all ranks of the British Army stationed in Hong Kong was confirmed by Capt. C. C. Fowkes, M.C., Staff Captain at Army Headquarters, when interviewed this morning.

A preliminary cable announcing the cuts has been received from the War Office, but no definite details as to how the various sections of the Forces stationed here will be affected will be available until receipt of full particulars which have been despatched to Hong Kong by air mail, he said.

The following War Office cable was received at Fort Canning, Singapore:

"The following revised daily rate Colonial allowances is approved as from May 1, 1934:—married officers, \$3; single officers, \$1.45; married warrant officers (Class I), 55 cents; married warrant officers (Class 2), staff sergeants and school mistresses, 40 cents; married sergeants, 35 cents; married rank and file, 30 cents."

Old and New Rates The following table setting out the existing rates and the revised rates was given to the Straits Times upon inquiry at Port Canning.

Married Officers.—Present rate \$4.90 a day. New rate \$3 a day.

Warrant Officers (Class I).—Present rate \$1.05 a day. New rate 55 cents a day.

Warrant Officers (Class II); and Staff Sergeants.—Present rate 80 cents a day. New rate 40 cents a day.

Sergeants.—Present rate 60 cents a day. New rate 35 cents a day.

Rank and File.—Present rate 55 cents a day. New rate 30 cents a day.

Single Officers.—Present rate \$1.90 a day. New rate \$1.45 a day.

Warrant Officers (Class I).—Present rate 30 cents a day. New rate nil.

Warrant Officers (Class II).—Present rate 25 cents a day. New rate nil.

Sergeants.—Present rate 15 cents a day. New rate nil.

Rank and File.—Present rate 10 cents a day. New rate nil.

School Mistresses Present rate 90 cents a day. New rate 40 cents a day.

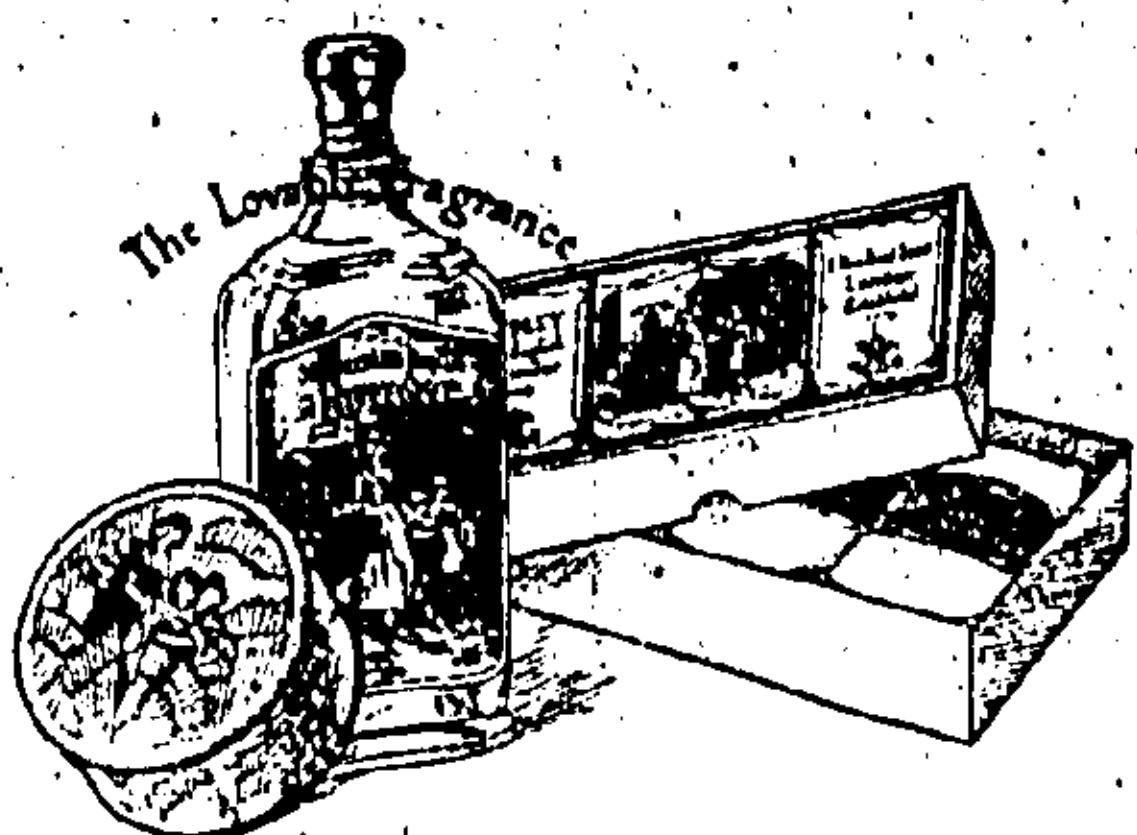
It is officially stated that the R.A.F. personnel abroad will also receive cuts in their Colonial allowances. Married officers are cut by \$1.90 a day and single officers by 45 cents.

At to-day's meeting of the Legislative Council, the Hon. Attorney-General will move the Second Reading of a Bill to amend the Sunday Cargo Working Ordinance, 1929, a Bill to amend further the Railway Ordinance, 1909, and a Bill to amend the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1899.

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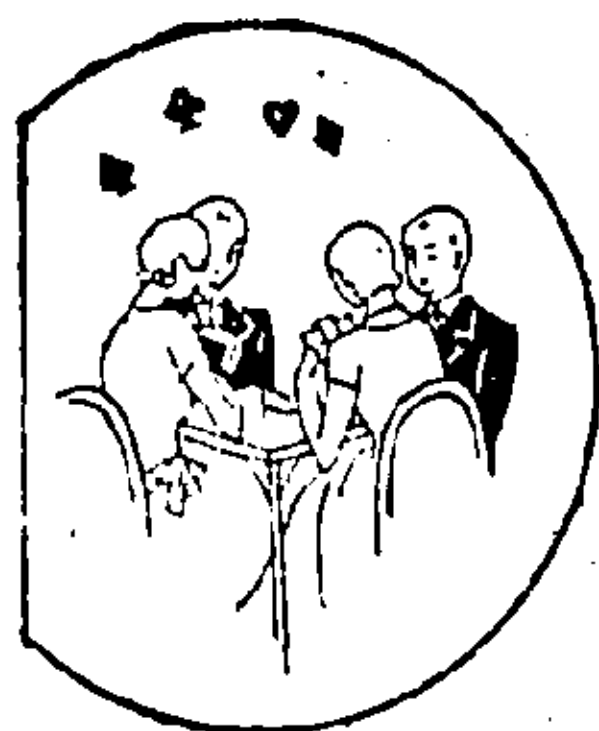
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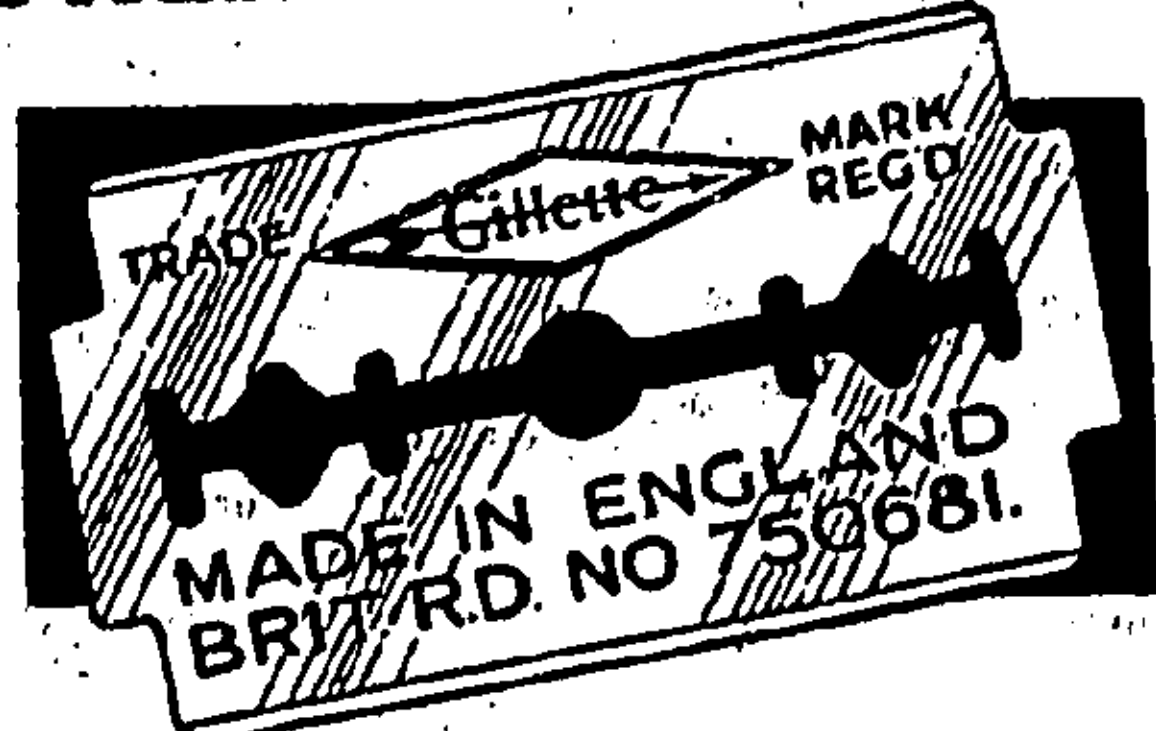
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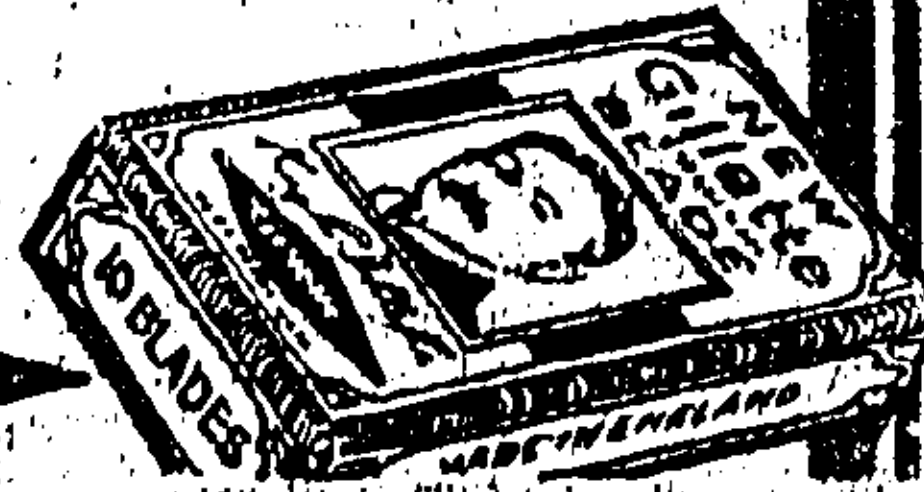
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France And Hitler's Book

Copies of the French version of Herr Hitler's much discussed work, "Mein Kampf," have been seized by the French police.

An official complaint that the publication of this work in France was unauthorised by the German Chancellor was made to the Quai d'Orsay by the German Ambassador in Paris, Herr von Koester.

The original German version of "Mein Kampf" contains many passages in which France is referred to with hatred and contempt.

The publication of such statements by the head of the German Government, if it was permitted in France, would inevitably be followed by diplomatic remonstrances from the French Foreign Office.

Herr Hitler may have had another reason for wishing to prevent publication of the French version.

The translation is rumoured in Paris to have been the work of Charles Rappoport, the Communist philosopher. He is a Russian Jew.

Model Scholar

To whom do you think this school report refers?

Very gifted, always neat and assiduous, was first in all subjects, and upon completing his studies received a gold medal as the most deserving pupil with regard to his ability, progress and behaviour. Neither in the school, nor outside, has a single instance been observed when he has given cause for dissatisfaction, by word or by deed, to the school authorities and teachers. His mental and moral instruction has always been thoroughly looked after, first by both his parents and upon the death of his father in 1886 by his mother alone. Religion and discipline were the basis of this upbringing, the fruits of which are apparent in his behaviour.

It refers to Vladimir Ilyich Ulianov, otherwise Lenin.

The author of it was M. Keren-sky's father, and it is quoted in M. Keren-sky's book "The Crucifixion of Liberty," published last month by Arthur Barker.

U. S. Air Mail Trouble

The reason for the loss of several lives on the American air mail routes was probably because the army pilots were unaccustomed to keeping to a strict time-table in all weathers.

It is to be doubted whether British R.A.F. pilots of high speed machines could be suddenly transferred to air-liner work in all weathers without preliminary training. Imperial Airways always give new pilots six months' training whatever their R.A.F. records, before they are allowed to pilot an airliner.

In America the civil air mail pilots have to meet every type of weather and climate on the coast-to-coast journeys of 3,000 miles from Atlantic to Pacific. Moreover, they are now used to flying on the radio beacon system.

The U.S. Army pilots have no experience of this kind of flying.

Facts You Did Not Know.

Railroad trains for short lines have been invented in which the engines and cars run on rubber tyred wheels on concrete or macadam paving and are guided by revolving pins that press against a central rail.

Miniature traffic lights that signal in the customary colours that cars are going to continue in their courses, stop or turn to the left or right have been invented in England to be carried on automobiles.

A combination of chemicals in dust form that develops a large amount of carbon dioxide gas when heated has been developed by a University of Washington engineer to extinguish fires without causing the damage done by water.

Scientists are considering the diversion of several streams in the Union of South Africa to form large lakes in the Kalahari desert, that would irrigate millions of acres of land and increase rainfall over 1,000,000 square miles.

TRYING TO GET LOST IN PERSIA

SEEING THINGS AS THEY REALLY EXIST

FEW DANGERS UNDER PRESENT
REGIME

(By Robert Byron.)

Zinjan, Persia.

Travellers who seek what they call adventure will be disappointed in Persia. Such people make a place their goal not because it is interesting but simply because it is difficult.

They yearn for physical privations; they pray for brigands to rob them, wild animals to eat them. If they return alive—and they invariably and curiously do—it is only to invent hardships they never suffered.

My own purpose in travelling is to see things as they exist, with a minimum of bother and discomfort. If restrictions and privations must be faced, if beasts and brigands threaten, so much the worse. I shrink; and certain rumours made me shrink from Azerbaijan.

My timidity proved ridiculous. The officials gave us all assistance. The villages we stayed in, previously unvisited by Europeans, offered comfort and plenty. The worst marauders were the fleas.

For this happy condition visitors like myself may thank the present Shah. Under his rule, professional adventurers must adventure elsewhere than in Persia. I can better recommend the Great West Road on a Saturday afternoon.

Azerbaijan is the north-west province of Persia, a land of fertile, rolling highlands lying between 3,000ft. and 7,000ft. above sea-level, and occasionally interrupted by the jagged outlines of higher ranges.

The people speak Turki and know little Persian. On the shores of Lake Urumiah, near the Turkish frontier, lives an isolated colony of Assyrian Christians.

We travelled from Zinjan to Tabriz with two of them—a lorry-driver and a schoolmistress. The latter, though she fed us on quinces and apricots from a basket, was not a prepossessing type. American missionaries had taught her to think smoking wicked and to despise her Moslem neighbours.

Travelling by lorry with smelly companions is neither pleasant nor expeditious. But it is cheap, and the great distances in Persia make private cars ruinously expensive.

We slept the night in a mud caravanserai where they kept a tame wolf in the courtyard, and came next morning to Tabriz, the capital of Azerbaijan, a city surrounded by hills, coloured rust and lemon, and the second largest in Persia.

Here we noted the predominance of Germans, who run the brewery and other industries; we ate ices while a military band played among beds of petunias beneath the great brick citadel of the Ark; and we paid our respects to the Governor and the Chief of Police.

Curious Monument

Nothing could have exceeded the politeness of these gentlemen, who sent us by car to Maragheh, 80 miles distant, armed with letters to the same functionaries in that place.

In Maragheh there are various towers of red brick and blue faience, beneath one of which are said to lie the remains of Hulagu, the Mongol conqueror who destroyed the irrigation system of Baghdad and converted Mesopotamia into a desert.

But the most curious and least known of the local monuments is the *saatkhan* or star-house; in other words, the observatory, whence Hulagu's chief Minister used to examine the stars by daylight.

This can always be done, as is well known, from the bottom of a well. But the chief Minister, more conveniently, chose a cave in the side of a mountain, whence he projected a shaft which emerged on the mountain's top.

To this cave, which lies about three miles outside the town, we rode in a superbly mounted cavalcade, accompanied by several military officers and the Chief of Police. In it we found two rock-hewn fire altars, a relic of the old Zoroastrian religion. Tiny galleries, down which it was necessary to crawl on hands and knees, led to inner chambers from one of which must have

proceeded the shaft of the observatory.

This is now blocked up. But great mounds of brick on top of the mountain showed where it had come out. These were approached by cobbled roadways which met at right-angles and were presumably used in some way for plotting the observations taken.

It was now our intention to ride across unknown country to Minch, a small town on the main Tabriz-Teheran road, which is noted for an insect that will bite strangers but not the inhabitants. How far the ride might be, how long it might take, no one could tell us.

Where Europeans Are

Strangers

We set out late one afternoon, as is the Persian custom, accompanied by two baggage horses, two muleteers of whom one was named Hadji Baba, and a smart young policeman called Abbas.

No European, no "Frank," as they say in these parts, had ever been seen before in these villages. Yet the curiosity of people was not indecent.

The best room in the village would be immediately prepared, carpets spread, and holsters set against the walls. In one room, belonging to a boy-squire, who was introduced to us by his bailiff and steward as "lord of the surrounding villages," there was a fireplace, and we ate our dinner off a big round tray, reclining at full length before a blazing hearth. Next morning the steward lit another fire for us to dress by.

In our last village, a poor treeless place about 7,000ft. up, the headman retained the manners of a hundred years ago. Unlike the others who entertained us, he spoke good Persian. Fortunately my English companion had also some knowledge of the ancient courtesies, and conversation opened thus: "Peace, be to you!" "To you be peace!"

"The health of your high eminences is good, God willing!"

"Thanks be to God, owing to the kindness of your excellency, it is very good."

"Everything your high eminences command your loving slave will endeavour to perform. This house is your house. May I be your sacrifice?"

"May the shadow of your highness never diminish."

"And so on. But next morning, when it came to settling the bill, the old man spoke a more concise and practical language.

"One antiquity of some interest we discovered, a sort of altar supported on a carved stone ram of primitive design, where the villagers crushed the oil for their lamps.

Whether this object, and the use to which it was put, may have had some ancient connection with fire-worship, we could not discover, owing to the language difficulty. But our ride was not really concerned with such things.

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**COUNSEL LENDS HIS
CLIENT \$50**

**"Feels He Should Not
Have Been Charged."**

"NO OPIUM FOUND ON HIM"

"I will lend my client \$50 to pay his bail because I feel that he should not have been charged, no opium having been found on him," said Mr. Hui Shing-lo, when he appeared for Chan Sing, who was charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy this morning with being in possession of five mace of prepared opium.

Chan, with two other defendants, a man and a woman, was stated by Mr. W. J. Buller, Chief Preventative Officer, to have been in possession of the opium at 182, Queen's Road West. A second charge of dealing in opium was withdrawn.

SECRET FORMULAE FOR RUBBER

Alleged Theft Of Documents.

FUNG KEONG RUBBER CO. CHARGE LATE EMPLOYEE

The charge of the theft of secret formulae from the Fung Keong Rubber Company preferred against Cheung Kwok-wai was withdrawn at the opening of the hearing this morning before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy this morning, charges of the theft of bundles of papers and books containing formulae, and the theft of rubber samples being substituted.

After the case for the prosecution was opened by Mr. Horace Lo, and evidence was given by Mr. Fung Yat-hing, works manager, the case was adjourned.

Mr. D. L. Strellett is appearing for the defendant.

Opening his case, Mr. Lo said: "The complainant in this case is the late employer of the accused. On September 18, 1929, the accused entered the employment of the Fung Keong Rubber Company, and entered into an agreement for his services, this agreement providing for certain terms, and it is quite clear from the agreement that the accused cannot take anything away from the factory."

"The position of the defendant was one of a confidential nature," Mr. Lo said.

Taken Into Confidence.

"As soon as he was taken on as an apprentice and assistant he was taken into the confidence of his employer, and was allowed into the secrets of the firm, a privilege not held by an employee other than the works manager, Fung Yat-hing," said Mr. Lo.

Continuing, Mr. Lo said: "The nature of the business of the employers is that of the manufacture of rubber, and continuous experiments have to be made, experiments calculated to improve the rubber generally, and also for the purpose of making coloured rubber. For this purpose it is necessary to keep correct records of all experiments."

"Up to last year the experiments were supervised by the works manager, and a book was kept recording all experiments made in 1933," said Mr. Lo. "This book was kept by the accused, and it contained a record of the results of experiments, and also formulae for the making of rubber."

"When customers order rubber the number of the sample is recorded," continued Mr. Lo, "and to fulfill the order it is necessary for the formulae to be on hand, and unless these formulae are available it is impossible to make up rubber to requirements."

Resignation Sent In.

"During the last year of the accused's apprenticeship he was left in charge of the experiments, and in his charge a new sample book was being prepared. At about two weeks before the end of the last Chinese year, which was the end of his apprenticeship, he absented himself, notifying his employer that he was ill," stated Mr. Lo. "He had taken the key of the draw which contained the books of the factory, and a messenger was sent to get this key, which was returned a few days later. When the draw was opened by the works manager, Fung Yat-hing, it was found that the draw contained no details of experiments. The accused was sent for, but he did not return to the factory, and just before the end of the Chinese year he sent in his resignation."

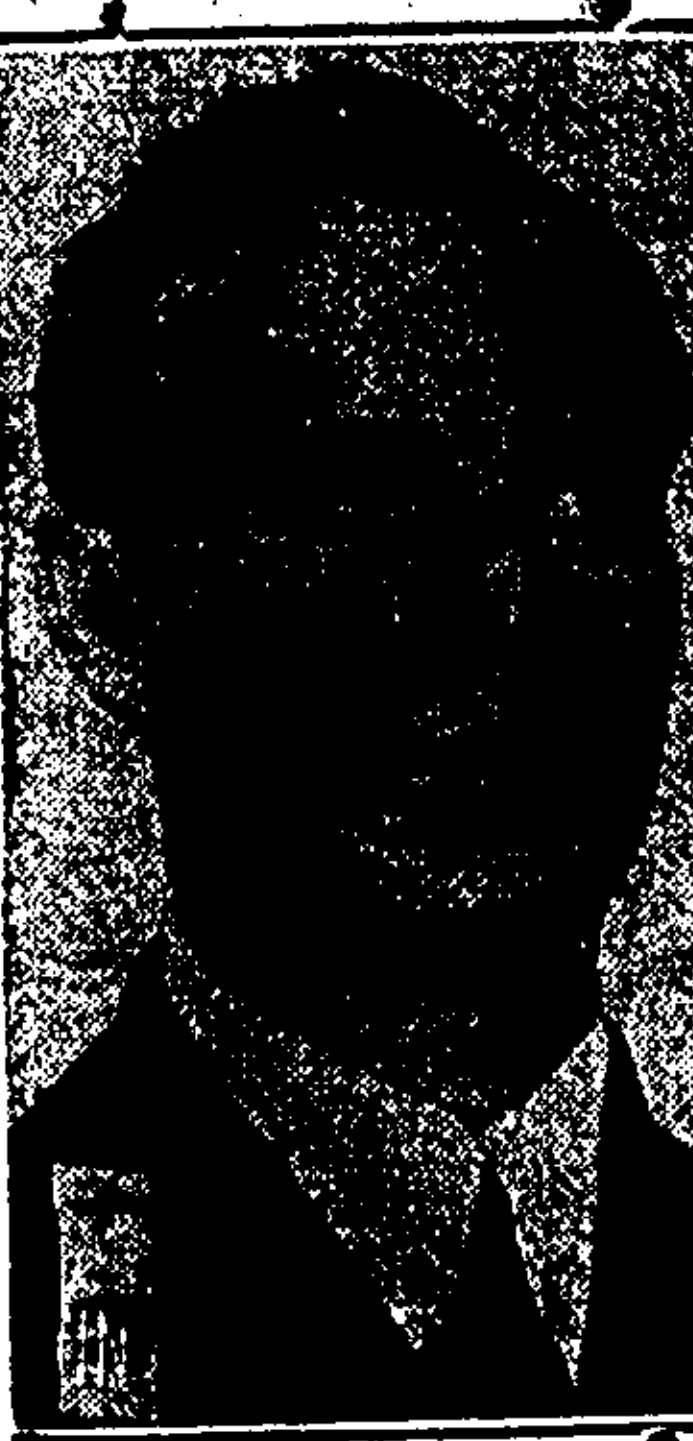
"On February 18 he was asked by the works manager about the records, and stated that he had kept no records, and that he was unable to write out the formulae from memory in respect to the new sample list."

"As the new sample book, which was written up by accused, contained 55 formulae, his employer became suspicious that, in spite of his statement, he must have kept records," said Mr. Lo.

Books Found.

"On March 13 the works manager laid information on which a search warrant was issued, and on March 15 Fung Yat-hing, in company with a European and Chinese detective, found the accused and accompanied him to No. 25 Kam Wah Street, where he found books which he stated contained records and formulae, the property of the factory. Defendant had stated that he would hand

Soviet "Stratoflier"



Commander Fedoseenko

Title of world's highest flying man belongs to Commander Paul Fedoseenko, Soviet aviator, who captured the stratosphere balloon Syria that set a new altitude record by soaring 12½ miles near Moscow. Two other fliers accompanied Commander Fedoseenko on the trip.

ELECTRIC RATES SURVEY IN U.S.

Rankin Bill Passed In House.

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL.

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Washington, To-day.

The House of Representatives yesterday passed the Rankin Bill, authorising a national survey of electric rates charged by public utility corporations and municipally owned plants.—United Press, per S.C. Gold Bar Co.

CAPITAL STOCK TAX IN U.S.

\$95,000,000 Revenue Increase.

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL.

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Washington, To-day.

The United States Senate has added a capital stock tax of one-tenth of one per cent. to the pending U.S.\$330,000,000 Tax Bill.

This addition will increase the revenue by U.S.\$95,000,000.—United Press, per S.C. Gold Bar Co.

the book back to his employers. One of these books contained the formulae for the new sample book," continued Mr. Lo.

"It will be submitted that the books and formulae are the property of the employers, whether or not the books were originally the property of the accused," said Mr. Lo. "It will also be submitted that if these formulae are used to record the formulae of the factory, that they become thereby the property of the factory, and it will be further submitted that the Fung Keong Rubber Factory had been using similar books and papers."

"Among the articles found on the occasion of search was a number of rubber samples which are all numbered in accordance with the sample list."

"The Company are very careful with their rubber samples, and no one is allowed to take them out of the factory. A watchman is engaged to examine everything taken out of the factory, and the accused must have taken these samples out in a surreptitious manner. I submit that the fact that he was found in possession of books, papers, and rubber is evidence of larceny," concluded Mr. Lo.

Parallel.

After Mr. Lo's opening Mr. Hamilton remarked that the case was almost a parallel of the case of Robb v Green, in which case a civil action had been made and damages of £150 had been given for plaintiff. He also said "I will not have anything about contracts in this case. The thing you have to prove is that the papers and books are the property of the Company, and that they have been stolen."

After hearing the evidence of Mr. Fung Yat-hing, the factory manager, to the effect that defendant had been in charge of experiments and documents, the case was adjourned.

SOMERSETSHIRE LEAVES

Comdr. Sissmore Among Passengers.

DUE HOME ON MAY 10

A very large gathering was present at the Royal Naval Dockyard this morning to bid farewell to their friends on the troopship, Somersetshire, which sailed on her return voyage to the United Kingdom at 11 o'clock, carrying a large number of naval officers, dockyard officials and their families.

The bands of H.M. ships in port played "Auld Lang Syne" and other popular airs as the vessel went down the harbour. Naval crews cheered as the troopship passed their vessel.

The Somersetshire will arrive in England on May 10.

Among those on board are:

Pay Comdr. C. H. Crouch O.B.E.

Comdr. C. P. Friend, Major G. E.

Mirehouse, Major R. A. Bagnold,

Surg. Comdr. R. F. Nannis, Comdr.

E. W. Bush, D.S.C.; Comdr. A. M.

Williams, Comdr. J. E. Sissmore

Lt. Comdr. L. G. Addington, D.S.C.,

Lt. Comdr. R. V. Barton, Surg.

Comdr. H. W. Fitzroy Williams,

Mr. C. W. F. Bass, Comd. Gun.

E. W. Niblett, Comd. Elect. E. H.

Griffiths, Comd. Engr. E. H. T.

Sperring, Schmr. C. W. Tucker,

Gunner H. Cadwell, Mr. H. N.

Lonnenon, Wt. Engr. G. S. Mason,

Captain C. M. Blackman, Comdr.

G. E. Colpoys.

Lt. Comdr. H. T. Strawbridge,

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R. Gardiner, Surg. Lt. J. W. L.

Crosby, Pay Lt. Comdr. W. Yates

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Gwynne-Evans, Lt. Comdr. G. N.

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gramm, Lt. G. R. Carver, Lt. E. H.

Dyke, Lt. J. K. E. Langworthy, Lt.

Comdr. R. N. Fothergill, Captain

F. W. Bouch, Captain J. D. H.

Faithful, Lt. R. M. E. Pain, Lt. G.

W. W. H. Payne, Mr. A. W. Tur-

ton, Mr. W. F. H. Lewis, Mr. F.

Jefferson, Mr. G. H. Hayes, Mr.

Munford, Mr. S. J. Taverner, Mr.

G. W. Muirhead, Mr. T. A. Porter

and Mr. A. V. Rogers.

NEW MINISTER TO SIAM.

Sir Josiah Crosby Appointed.

London, To-day.

Sir Josiah Crosby, K.B.E., C.I.E., British Minister to Panama since 1931, has been appointed Minister to Bangkok, in succession to Mr. C. F. J. Dormer, M.V.O.; who has helped the post since 1929.—Reuter.

Commencing his career as a student interpreter in Siam, in 1904, Sir Josiah Crosby became Vice-Consul and travelling District Judge in 1907. He subsequently held the posts of Vice-Consul at Bangkok and at Nakorn Lampang, Siam, before becoming Consul at Senghor in 1916. From 1917 to 1919 he was Consul for French Indo-China, and was acting Consul-General at Bangkok from 1919 to 1920. Later in 1920 he became Consul-General at Saigon. From 1921 to 1931 he was Consul-General at Batavia.

CHINESE KILLED IN WATERLOO ROAD.

Mr. C. B. Easterbrook In Car Mishap.

Mr. C. B. Easterbrook, of 904 Waterloo Road, reported to the Police last night that while driving his car, No. 405 along Nathan Road at 8.15 p.m., he accidentally knocked down a Chinese, named Cheung Luk, aged 66. Cheung was removed to the Kowloon Hospital, where he died shortly afterward.

To-day's Short Story.

BERNHARD RIIVES

By Aino Kallas.

A YOUNG officer who followed the punitive expedition to the Baltic Provinces told this story:

"We had arrived with sixty blue-jackets at one of the parishes on the Estonian coast. The parish we had just quitted had been one of the worst hotbeds of the revolt, almost all the baronial manors were in ashes; we had therefore shown the utmost rigour. To tell the truth, we were tired of blood, both the blue-jackets and our commander, not to speak of myself. One never gets quite used to it, in course of time one sickens at the sight of it, except when one is drunk with blood."

"Without any preliminary agreement or even a word among us we had decided to let mercy go before justice this time. With all the greater reason as in the whole parish only one manor had been burned down, and this, as was proved, was the work of a band of rebels from elsewhere. Smaller offences against the law had of course occurred in numbers. The tavern had been compelled to close down, new rates of pay for truck-servants had been enforced by threats of a strike, and the signatures of the terrified landowners obtained for these contracts, revolutionary meetings had been held and speeches made. We arrested and cross-examined a dozen or so of the men, but the chief culprits, the agitators and promoters of the meetings had all disappeared. The farmer who had led the deputation of the truck-servants was our only more important capture. In spite of many warnings he had remained on his farm, from which he was brought by the blue-jackets to our military court. His name was Bernhard Riives."

"We discussed the situation with a couple of the barons and the vicar of the parish, and all of these exhorted us to leniency, to which we ourselves were inclined. Only the baron, who had been visited by the truck-servants, stood out for the death sentence for Bernhard Riives, as a warning to the parish. He seemed to nourish an old grudge against the man, who, as we were later to hear, had dared to set up again the ancient boundaries of his farm, which crossed one of the baron's meadows. After a short exchange of opinions he agreed, however, to alter his demand to two hundred strokes with rods, the limit of our sentences in this parish."

"We, therefore, had the farmer Bernhard Riives called in. He was a tall peasant, with calm square features fringed by a full beard. The alert and intelligent look in his blue-grey eyes was at once self-assertive and crushed. He showed no sign of fear, though he seemed to expect no good of us."

He was in no way insolent, still less fawning; on the contrary, he seemed to have grown beyond these qualities that long slavery brings forth.

"In all his being there was a suggestion of efficiency, of an unconscious power of rule over others, his heavy shoulders seemed created to push others ahead. He was one of those peasants whose children often form the first generation of a new cultured class."

"Our decision, as I have said, was already made, but for form's sake we proceeded to examine him. "Had he incited the truck-servants to go on strike?—Yes. Why had he done so?—Because their conditions were intolerable. Had he directed the truck-servants' meeting and written out the new agreements?—Yes. Had he followed them to the manor?—Yes. Why had he taken on himself the leadership in this matter?—Because, having himself been at school for a couple of years, he held it to be his duty to help others who had not had his advantages. Had he said at the manor: 'If you do not sign now, you will do so within a week in a different kind of ink?—No. He had used no threats whatsoever. Had he been at the Parish Hall tearing down the Holy Image?—No, that he had not done."

"All his answers were given with certainty and in a level tone, but at the same time with a kind of indifference, without hope, as though he had guessed the formality of the examination. His wise, grey eyes never rested on any of us."

"A few witnesses were next called. Without exception all spoke well of Bernhard Riives. He had purchased his farm free himself, and paid the greater part of the debt, a thing unusual in the Western part of Estonia. He had been employed in many positions of trust in the parish and had always shown moderation and sense. The only evidence against him was that he avoided both the church and Holy Communion. On the whole, he seemed to be without enemies."

"It devolved on me to read out his sentence. He was brought in again and stood before me in his sheepskin coat, open at the front. For the first time I felt his glance rest on me, and although my own eyes were directed to the paper in my hand, I could feel the whole time the gaze of those searching and intelligent eyes. I remember myself wondering whether he understood Russian."

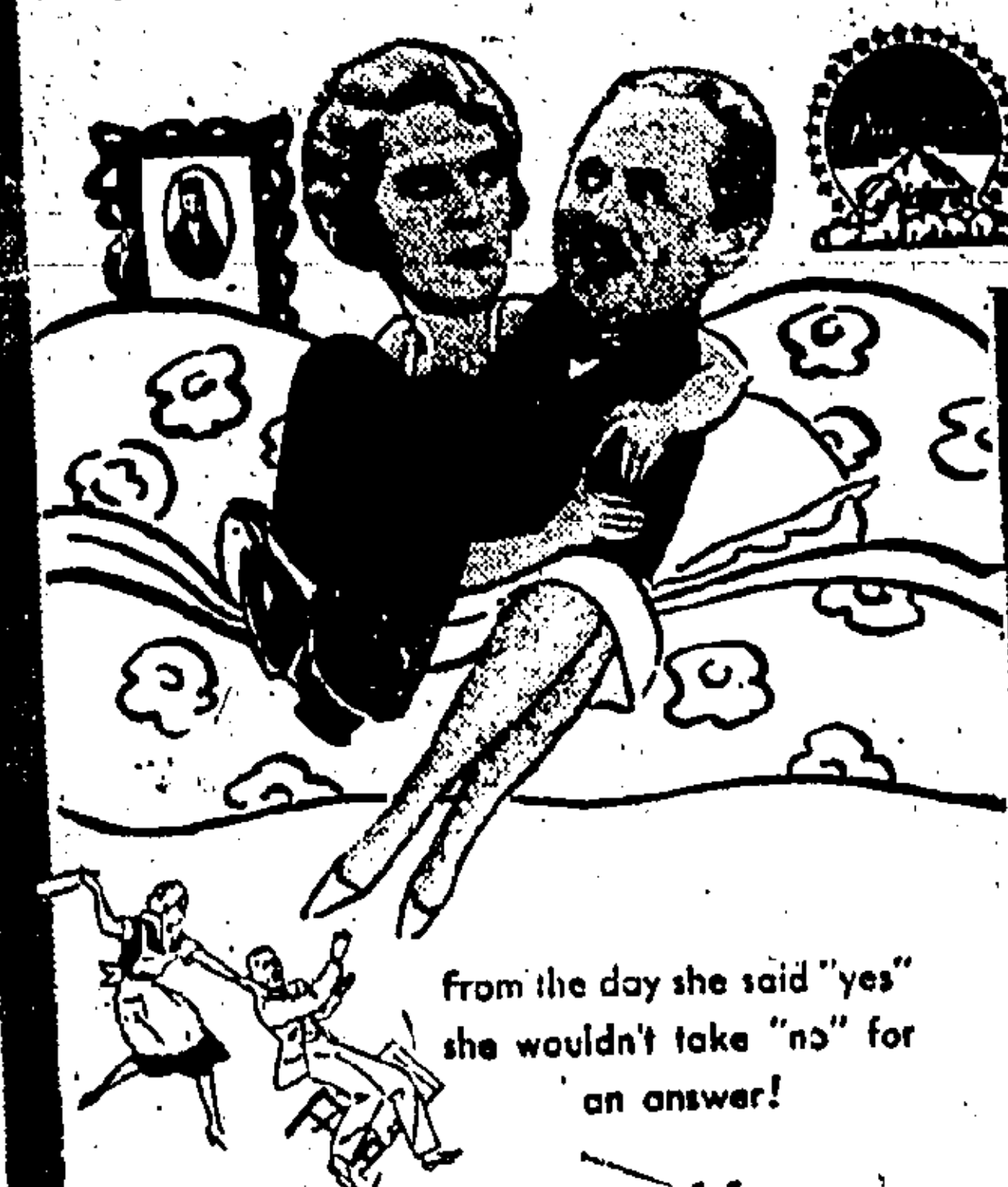
"I read, therefore, the sentence first in Russian, and as I am fairly well acquainted with Estonian—I am from Narva—translated it immediately into that large language."

"When I reached the words 'two hundred strokes with rods' I heard him grit his teeth. I glanced up at him and saw that he was pale and looked wild, as though his usual self-control had deserted him for a moment. But he said not a word."

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TO-DAY AT THE KING'S

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FOOD AND HOME ECONOMICS



CAKE MAKING RENDERED EASY

New Mixes That Make All Difference.

WALNUT BRAN BREAD

With the appearance of Devil's Food, Molasses Cookie, Brand Murfin, Fruit Cake, and Gingersbread mixes in the local grocery stores it is now easy to have these favourite cakes and muffins at home with almost no effort at all and at a great saving of time. Here are two recipes which demonstrate the ease of cake-making with these mixes.

Afternoon Tea Dainties.

½ can (1¼ cups) ginger bread mix
½ cup warm water
Turn ginger bread mix into mixing bowl. Add water gradually, beating to a smooth batter. Butter tiny cup cake or Marguerite pans and put a small amount of batter into each. Bake in a moderate oven (375 degrees F.) about 12 to 15 minutes. When cool dip in boiled frosting and roll in chopped nuts or chopped shredded coconut. Black walnuts are especially delicious for this purpose. Lay on heavy waxed paper until frosting becomes firm.

Boiled Frosting.

2 cups sugar.
¾ cup light corn syrup.
1/3 cup water.
2 egg whites.
1 teaspoon vanilla.
Cook sugar, syrup, and water together, stirring until sugar is dissolved. Boil without stirring to 242 degrees F., or until syrup forms a soft ball when tested in cold water. Pour syrup slowly over stiffly beaten egg whites, beating constantly. Continue beating until mixture holds its shape. Add vanilla.

Walnut Bran Bread

1 can bran muffin mix.
¾ cup warm water.
1 cup finely chopped walnuts.
Turn contents of can into mixing bowl. Chop nuts fine and add to dry ingredients. Add water gradually, stirring until thoroughly blended. Grease a small bread pan and line the bottom with waxed paper. Turn bran mixture into this and let stand 10 minutes. Bake in moderate oven (325 degrees F.) about 60 minutes. Allow to cool before cutting. This bread is slightly crumbly and should be cut with a sharp knife.

Menus, Recipes Suggested For Entertaining

An Intimate Supper Has Sandwiches, Salad, And Baked Apples For Menu.

Our recipe files are just crammed with wonderful suggestions for entertaining.

During the week you undoubtedly will want to entertain with intimate suppers—so here are a few suggestions:
Cream of Mushroom Soup (ready to serve) Crackers
Fried Oyster and Bacon Sandwiches Genuine Dill Pickles

Prepared Mustard

Celery stuffed with Cream Cheese and Sandwich Relish
Baked Apples stuffed with Mince-meat

Coffee or Hot Chocolate

Chilled Tomato Juice
Cold Sliced Virginia Ham
Potato and Olive Salad
Sweet Mustard Pickle
Apple Butter or Grape Jelly
Crusty Rolls Butter
Fruit Cake
Coffee

Fried Oyster and Bacon Sandwiches—Dip 1 pint large oysters in 2 beaten eggs, seasoned with ½ teaspoon Worcestershire sauce. Then dip into cracker crumbs or rice flake crumbs and fry in skillet in which ½ pound bacon, sliced, then removed. Fry oysters until crisp and golden brown. Place oysters and slices of hot bacon between slices of buttered whole wheat bread. Serve with prepared mustard or chili sauce.
Baked Apples Stuffed with Mince-meat—Core 6 large red apples, being sure to remove all the core, but do not cut through to

Removing Oil From Linen.

To remove machine oil from linen, rub it with a little lard, let it stand until the stain disappears, then wash it in warm and soap.

WASH RUBBER ICE TRAYS

Don't neglect the occasional washing of the rubber ice trays in the mechanical refrigerator. Use hot water and soap and rinse with plenty of boiling water.

the other end of the apple. Pierce with a fork in several places, and arrange apples in a shallow baking dish. Fill cavity of each with pure mince-meat and pour over them a syrup made by boiling together for six minutes, 1 cup sugar 1½ cups water. Sprinkle apples with sugar and bake in a moderately hot oven (about 400 degrees F.) until tender, basting often with the syrup.

Potato and Olive Salad—Peel and dice one quart cold, cooked potatoes. Add 2 tablespoons grated onion, ½ cup stuffed Spanish olives, sliced, and mayonnaise to moisten (Add celery, if desired). Serve very cold in nests of lettuce, garnishing each salad attractively with slices of hard cooked egg.

DON'T OVERHEAT PIE

When a custard pie shrinks from the crust it has been baked in too hot an oven.

The oven should be hot for the first 8 or 10 minutes in order to bake the pastry so it will not become soaked with liquid. The reduce heat or custard will boil.

Original Titbit!

A fastidious hostess startled her guest not long ago by serving slender, long slices of raw carrot with beverages.

She arranged these slices on a slender silver server and it was a pretty as well as an entirely different dish.

IRONING BOARD HINT

Do you have trouble in making the covering of your ironing board smooth? This can be eliminated by fastening the cover on when it is wet or very damp. The cover will dry slowly and be as smooth as when you put it on.

Three Tasty Sunday Dinners

In most families Sunday dinner is the big social event of the week. Here are three:—
Low-cost Dinner

Lamb fricassee with dumplings.
Braised stuffed cabbage.
Sauté potatoes.
Brown bread and butter.
Apple Charlotte with custard.
Tea or coffee.

Medium-cost Dinner

Chicken pot pie. Bake potatoes.
New spinach, creamed.
French vegetables.
Brown bread and butter.
Chocolate cream.
Coffee.

Very Special Dinner

Roast lamb with mint sauce.
New potatoes. New green peas.
Asparagus with butter sauce.
Rolls and butter.
Orange Spanish cream. Coffee.
For the braised stuffed cabbage cut a head of cabbage in half, par-boil it.

Spread the large leaves on the table, cover them with a few smaller ones. Season. In a saucepan simmer onions with a little butter, add ½ lb. sausage meat, a dash of mixed herbs.

Mix well, put a ball of this mixture on the cabbage leaves, wrap the leaves firmly around it. Broil for about forty-five minutes or until tender.

This dish will be even nicer if hot tomato puree is served with it as a sauce.

To Remove Cocoa Stains.

Cocoa stains may be quickly and easily removed with boiling water and borax. Spread the borax on the stain, then place the linen over a bowl and pour hot water onto the stain.

Menu Suggestions For To-morrow

TIFFIN

Cod Fish Kromesies
Spinach on Toast
Nut Roast
Brown Sauce
Baked Tomatoes
Apple and Sage Shape
Custard Sauce

DINNER

Asparagus Soup
North Country Fish Pie
Spanish Cauliflower
Lentil and Onion Salad
Mayonnaise Sauce
Chestnut Flan
Spinach on Toast

1½ lb. spinach, ¾ cup cream or milk, 1 small onion, pinch of sugar, salt, 1 teaspoon butter, 1 egg, 1 tablespoon flour. Cook spinach until tender. Drain and chop fine. Put back into the pan and add ½ cup of cream or milk and bring to boiling point. Add finely chopped onion, sugar, salt to taste, and butter. Then to the well beaten egg add the remaining ½ cupful of cream or milk and the flour. Stir to a smooth paste and add to the spinach. Let it all boil together about 3 minutes, stirring constantly. Serve on toast.

Nut Roast

1 pound of nuts, scalded, dried, and grated, mixed kinds, ½ pound of breadcrumbs, 3 eggs, 1 pint of more of good vegetable stock. Pepper and salt. Juice of ½ lemon. Mix ingredients together with sufficient stock to make it damp, but quite firm. Well butter a fire proof mould, sprinkle with breadcrumbs, put in the mixture, cover with wax paper, and steam for 1 hour. Bake in a hot oven, and serve with baked tomatoes and brown gravy.

Asparagus Soup

1 tin of asparagus, 1 oz. butter, 1 oz. of flour, 1 dessertspoon of onion juice, ¼ pint of milk, ¾ pint of white vegetable and barley stock, seasoning, 1 level dessertspoonful of chopped parsley. Turn the asparagus out of the tin and cut off the extreme tips. Rub the remainder of the stalks through a sieve. Melt the butter in a saucepan, add the flour, and when it is well blended, stir in the stock and the asparagus liquor. Add also the sieved asparagus and the onion juice. Bring the soup to the boil, and the asparagus tips, cream and serve at once.

and season the soup to taste. Cook it for 2 or 3 minutes, then stir in soup. Allow ½ pint of soup for the chopped parsley and serve the each person.

Spanish Cauliflower

2 tablespoons butter or margarine, 1 small onion, few sprigs parsley, 1 teaspoon celery salt, 2 tablespoons flour, 1 cup water, ½ cup catsup, 1 medium head cauliflower. Heat butter, cook the onion chopped, and an equal amount of chopped parsley until brown. Add celery salt and flour, and mix to a smooth paste. Add the water gradually and stir until the mixture boils. Strain and add the catsup. Pour over the head of cauliflower which should be previously cooked. Serves 6 persons.

North Country Fish Pie

2 to 3 lb. of halibut, 1 oz. of butter, ¼ oz. of flour, ½ teaspoon of salt, pepper, 1 teaspoonful of chopped parsley. For the forcemeat, ¾ lb. fresh breadcrumbs, 3 eggs, 3 oz. butter, 1 teaspoonful of chopped thyme and marjoram, 1 tablespoon chopped parsley, ½ onion (chopped), salt and pepper, flaky pastry. Wash, dry and cut the fish into neat pieces. Mix the flour with salt, pepper and parsley, and roll the fish in it. Place the fish in a pie-dish with half a gill of fish stock (or water) and put lemon. Mix ingredients together with sufficient stock to make it damp, but quite firm. Well butter a fire proof mould, sprinkle with breadcrumbs, put in the mixture, cover with wax paper, and steam for 1 hour. Bake in a hot oven, and serve with baked tomatoes and brown gravy.

Chestnut Flan

½ lb. sweet pastry, 2 oz. sugar, ½ lb. boiled chestnuts, 1 gill milk. Line a flan case with the pastry, half fill with uncooked rice, and bake in a hot oven for 12 minutes. Empty out the rice and cool. Put the chestnuts through a sieve, and reheat with the milk and sugar, adding a little more milk if necessary until it is well mixed. Spread this mixture over the pastry, decorate with half a pint of whipped cream and serve at once.

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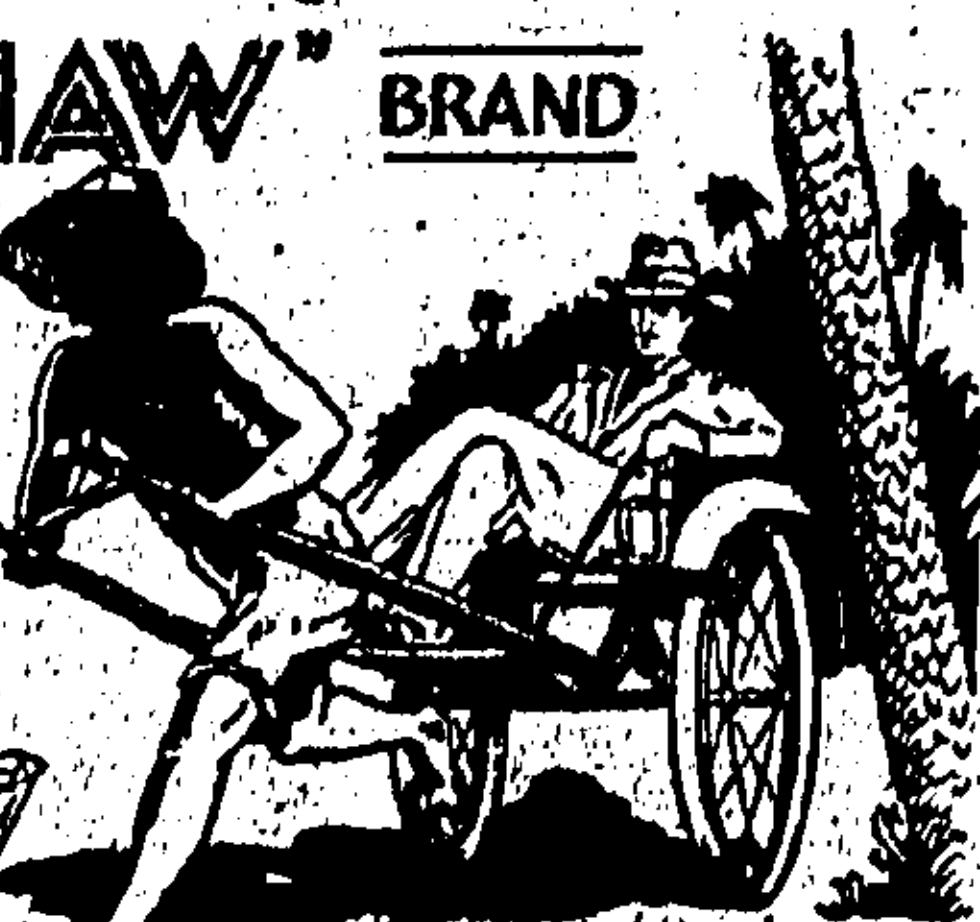
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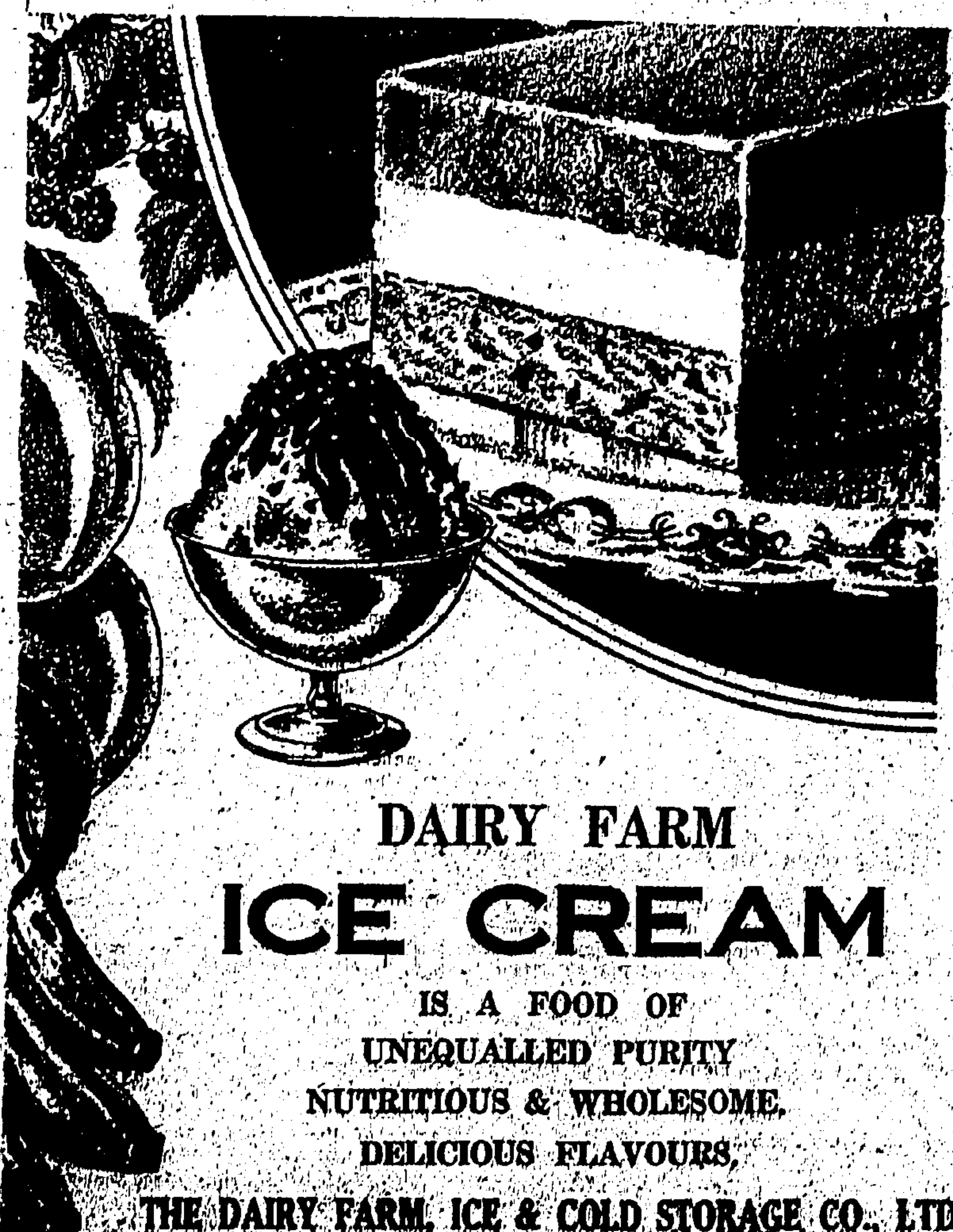
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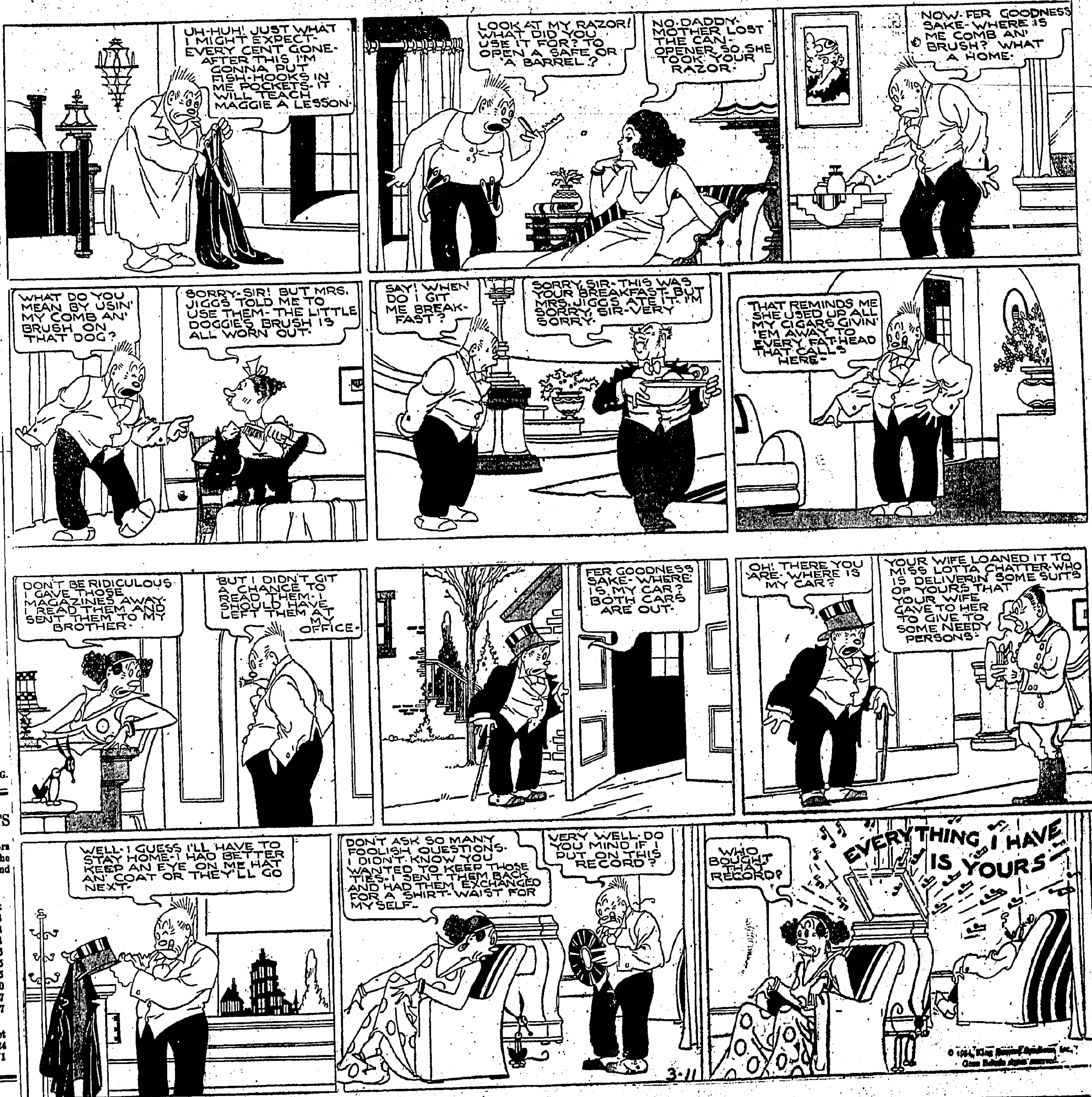
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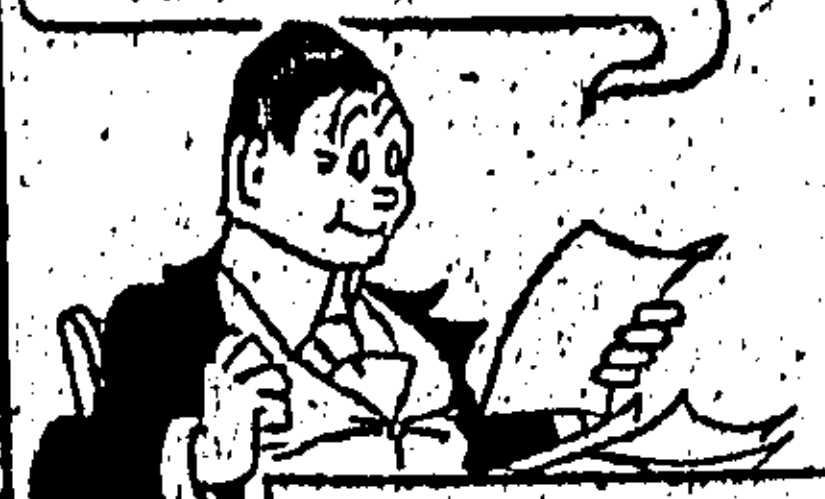
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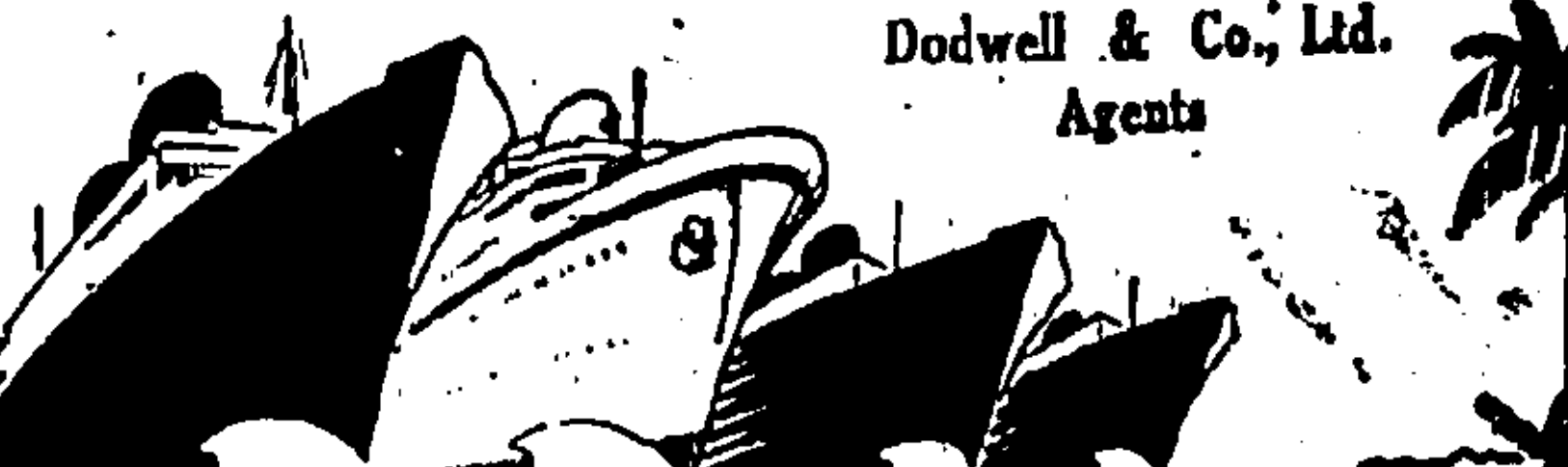
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CALCUTTA via Singapore, Belawan Deli & Rangoon	Hague Maru	Sun., 1st Apr.
	Havre Maru	Fri., 20th Apr.
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JAPAN via Takao & Keelung	Panama Maru	Tues., 10th Apr.
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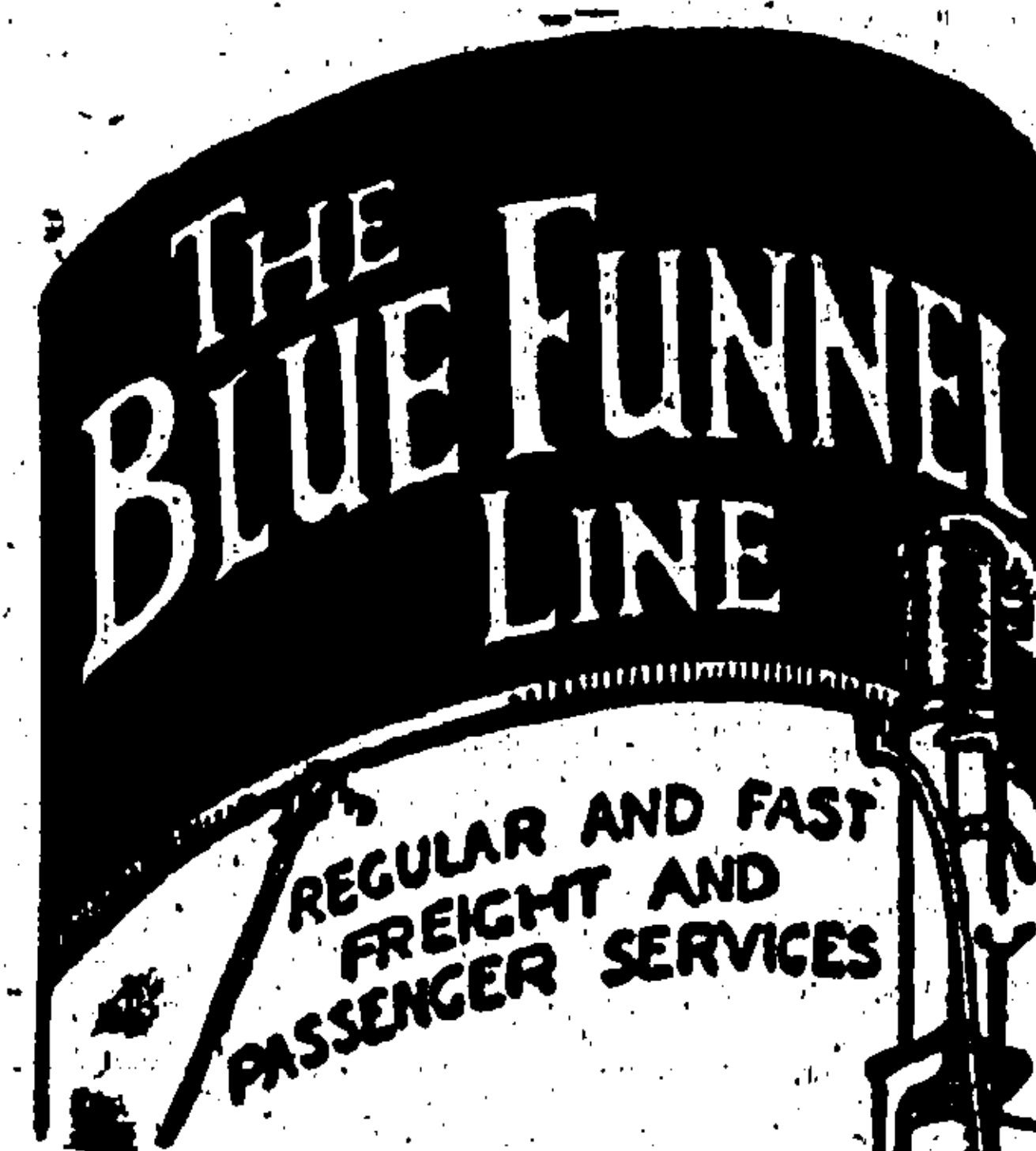
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BERNHARD RIVES

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"I gave the order for him to be taken away. As he went out of the door, I saw his shoulders shake though with the agony."

"The smaller offenders were punished first. I stayed away from the place of punishment; my nerves seemed in a state of collapse and I hoped devoutly that all would soon be over."

"I had stayed behind alone in the room, where I sat arranging the documents in order. Suddenly the door opened and Bernhard Rives thrust his way in, held tightly by two sailors. His appearance alarmed me, and against my will my hand went out to my loaded revolver."

"He was terrible to see. His cap was missing, his clothes torn in many places, as though he had just been through some hand-to-hand struggle, the blood poured from a bayonet wound in one cheek."

"All the self-control resulting from the high level of peasant civilisation he had achieved was gone, he seemed to have stepped backward many generations towards the warlike instincts of his race. His dignity and his air of superiority were, on the other hand, as before, and in like manner his unconscious leaderlike qualities; standing there he looked like a chieftain from heathen times. But the fierce madness that had peered out of his eyes while his sentence was being read out had gone, and in its place was an immovable, frozen stare."

"What do you want?" I asked him.

"I will not allow myself to be flogged," he answered with calm defiance.

"Your sentence has been proclaimed," I said.

"Even then—it is not a sentence fit for me—I am not a slave to be beaten with rods!"

"You were nearly sentenced to death, man," I said.

"He started, was silent and looked at me."

"You can thank the commander for his mercy, that you got off with two hundred strokes," I continued. "You may go."

"I commanded the sailors to seize him, but he shook himself free."

"What now?" I shouted impatiently.

"I will not be beaten," he repeated.

"Man, weigh your words," I snapped at him. "We can have you shot."

"If that is all—shoot me," he said.

"I want to speak with the commander. A man's life is worth but a kopeck, I thought, and a queer emptiness, a sense of being cut loose from life, scattered my thoughts, making them seem disconnected and unreal.... By an effort I tried to control them, to force them to follow their ordered, military course, the only possible one for them. And still a momentary sense of weakness possessed me.... What were we to do? We were both helpless. I dared to suggest that we should let the man off altogether, but in my inmost mind I too understood that by such a step our authority would be shaken in the eyes of the peasants. It was impossible, there

was no way of avoiding the punishment."

"The commander took the matter easily."

"Let him choose himself between a flogging and death," he said. "That will soften him, you see."

"I went again to Bernhard Rives and reported the commander's decision to him. He listened in silence."

"With all the means in my power I tried to reason with him."

"Have you a wife?" I asked.

"Yes," he answered simply, as in the examination.

"Any children?"

"Yes—five," he answered.

"Then in God's name—think of them, man."

"I was afraid for him and at the same time I desired keenly to break down his obstinacy, the fiercest reasons for which were not entirely clear to me. And yet something in him caused me to salute him in secret."

"He did not answer, but seemed to be battling with himself."

"Listen to me, now," I said, "gather your wits. You see I am working for your best. You are a strong man and can well endure the punishment, you will be laid up for a week and then all will be well."

"I am not afraid of that," he said.

"What, then, why don't you answer?"

"I cannot. That is all, my nature won't let me. I cannot. I can die, but I cannot allow myself to be beaten."

"You have always been beaten," I said. "When you were slaves, you were always beaten. Your father was flogged, and your grandfather before him."

"That is true, we have always been beaten, he agreed. 'But I will not be beaten. I was born free.'"

"He had found himself again. The old equanimity, sprung from his peasant civilisation, that I had noticed at the first sight of him, appeared again in his lofty, square features."

"Your children, man. Five children who will be left orphans if you are shot."

"Better for them to grow up fatherless than the children of a slave. Shoot me."

"His wish was fulfilled. I was not there when he was shot. I did not even wish to see his body, which was taken away by his wife and the oldest of his sons, neither did I wish to hear anything of his last moments."

"But my opinion is this: in this peasant, this Bernhard Rives, seven centuries of slavery straightened its back!"

TRYING TO GET LOST IN PERSIA

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It was the country itself we enjoyed, the bare ploughed high-lands, the grey mud villages clustering by the streams among their poplar groves, the array of lilac mountains in the distance, the fresh winds, and the signal of the evening star.

When we rode into Mianeh at dusk on the fifth day, it was these

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BRITAIN'S TRADE REVIVAL

Further Signs Shown In January Returns.

MORE WOOL FROM AUSTRALIA

London. Additional proof that British trade is continuing on the upgrade is afforded by the Board of Trade returns for January of this year.

In the month, exports from Britain amounted to £31,609,383, in comparison with £30,429,564 in December, and £29,205,422 in January, 1933.

Imports also showed an increase from £53,909,946 in January, 1933 to £63,161,584 in December and £64,671,822 in January, 1934.

Though the visible adverse trade balance showed an increase of £2,473,952 to £28,989,000 from January 1933 to January 1934, this increase is largely classified under the heading of raw materials; the importation of which can reasonably be taken to mean preparation for better trade.

The value of imported food-stuffs increased by £1,984,000, although grain and flour showed a decline of £288,000.

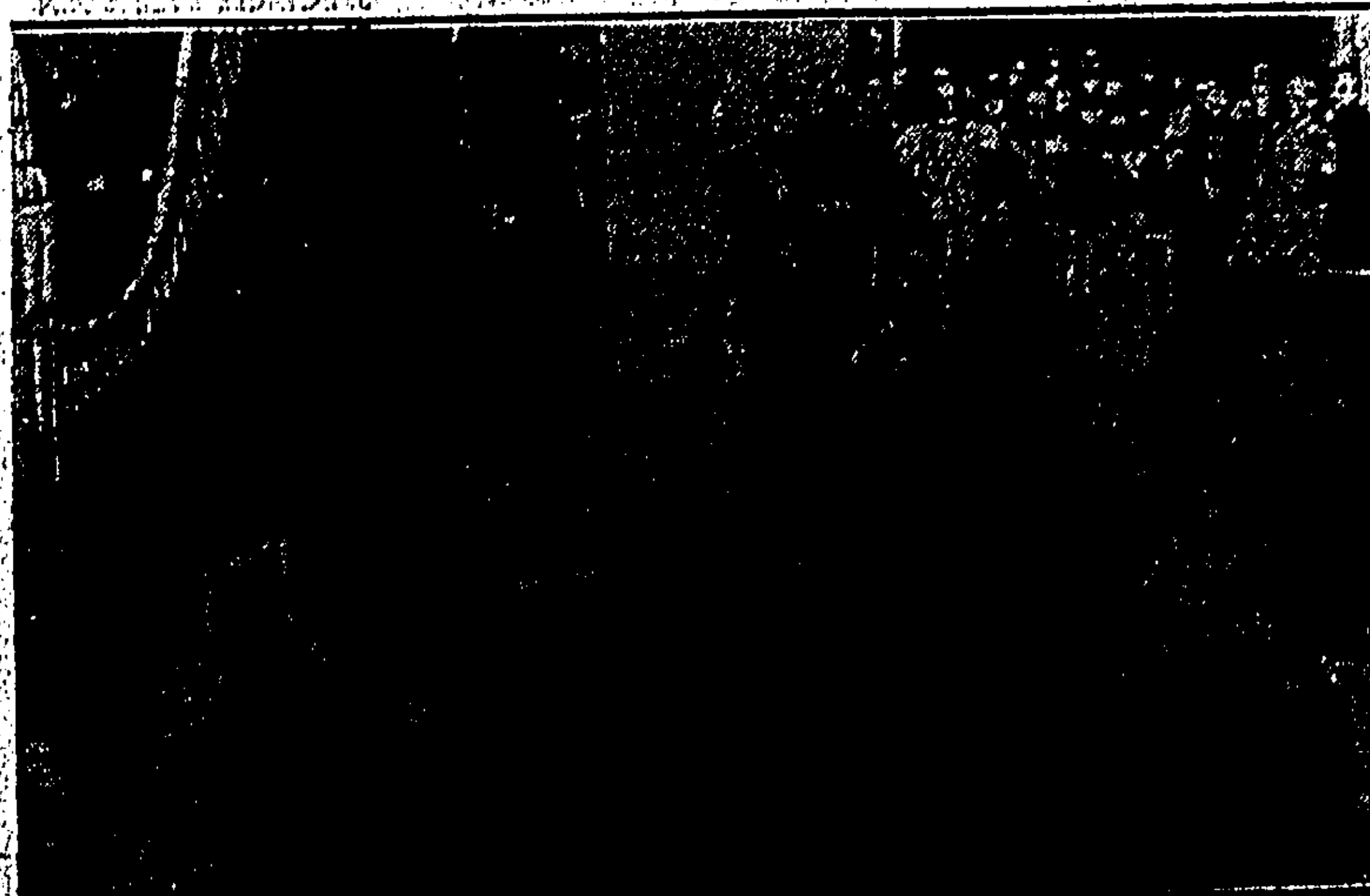
Imports of wheat from Russia totalled £349,000 against nothing for January, 1933, while the import of Canadian wheat dropped from £1,486,000 in January 1933 to £537,000.

A notable feature was the considerable increase in the importation of wool from Australia, the value of which advanced by over £1,000,000, despite the fact that there was an increase of £450,000 in the import of wool from the Argentine.—Reuter.

We remembered. And then we remembered also those creatures that bite strangers only. A lorry was leaving for Zinjan.

We ensconced ourselves by the driver and fled into the night.

As Belgium Enthroned King Leopold III



King Leopold III of Belgium, who was enthroned in Brussels on the 20th of July, 1935, after his return from exile in Switzerland. He is shown here with his family, including his wife, Queen Astrid, and their children, Prince Charles and Princess Astrid.

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Alcohol Drinking Bout
Ends In Tragedy.

Budapest. Janos Nagy-Dodo, said to a friend: "I bet I can drink any amount of alcohol you will pay for."
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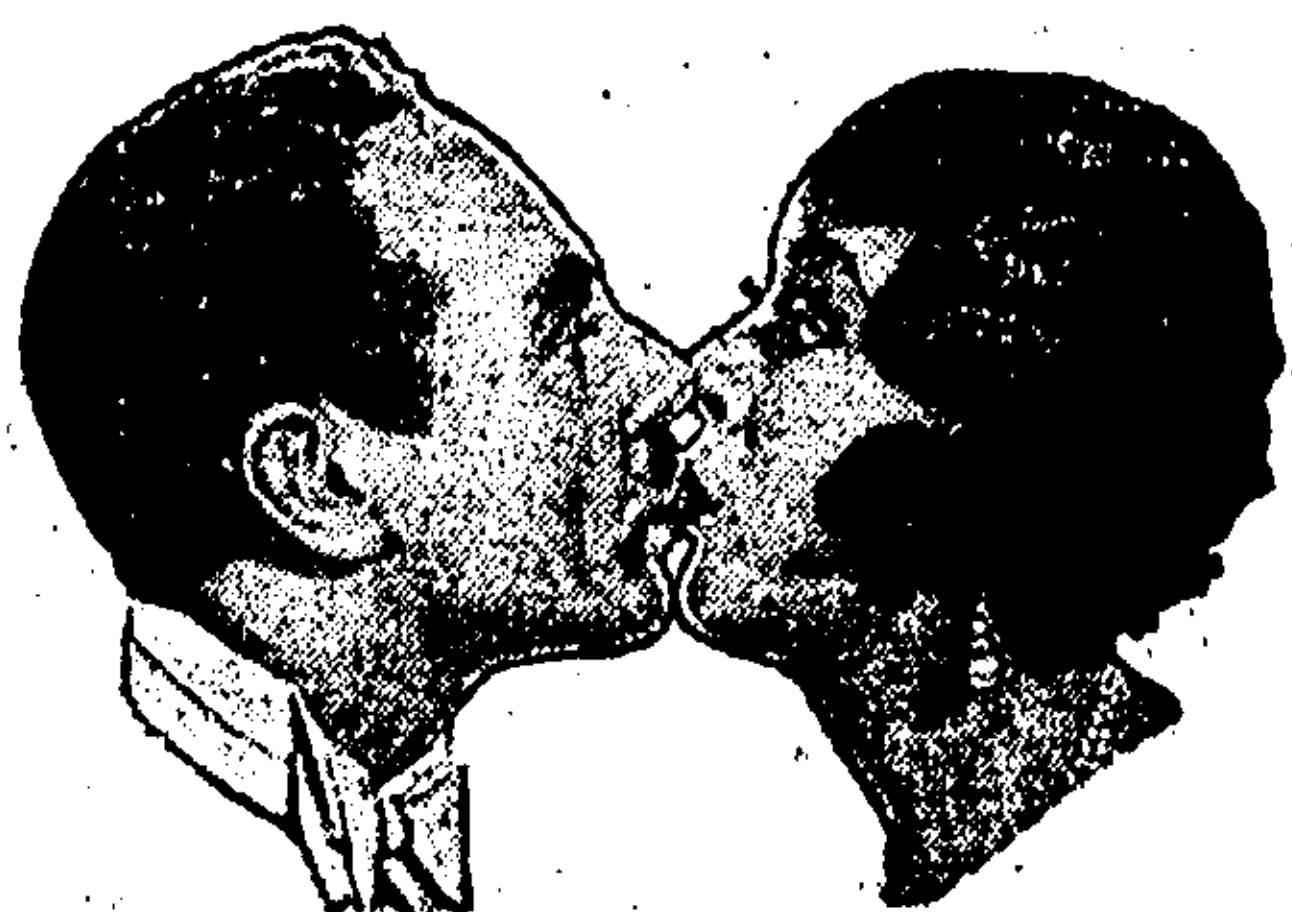
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In response to the appeal for £100,000 for the purchase of a site for a new building, a sum of £106,731 has been raised in the course of five months, 6,000 donors contributing.

The appeal on behalf of the fund was broadcast recently by Lord Chancellor Sankey, and as a result £8,127 was received.

A loan of £220,000 will be raised for the new building, which will incorporate the latest developments in hospital design and apparatus, after the report has been received from the mission which will inspect most of the modern European hospitals. Particular attention will be given to minimising delay in dealing with out-patients.—British Wireless Service.

Miss Sally Lindley and the house guests at the British Embassy in Tokyo, Miss Lindley's fiancé, Mr. Philip Yorke; Sir Richard Sykes, and Miss Tenant will pay a visit to Peking to return to Tokyo in time for Easter.

PORT OF LONDON DEVELOPMENT

Tonnage Up 17,969,015 In 24 Years.

25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION.

London, To-day.

The twenty-fifth anniversary is being celebrated of the establishment of the Port of London Authority, which superseded various dock and other companies which formerly exercised powers over the tidal waters of the River Thames.

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In 1909, the total net registered tonnage of vessels arriving and departing at the port amounted to 38,510,989. In 1933, the tonnage was 56,480,004.—British Wireless Service.

INFLATION THREAT

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The new decrees submitted to President Lebrun for signature, last night, will effect economies totalling 2,560,000,000 francs in an effort to balance the budget after four years of deficits.

NEW FUNDING LOAN WELL RECEIVED.

Applications Expected To Be Heavy.

FAVOURABLE EFFECT ON STOCK MARKET

London, To-day.

The announcement of a new £150,000,000 three per cent funding loan was well received in the City yesterday, and it is expected that applications will be exceptionally heavy when the lists open to-day.

The effect on the stock market was to strengthen further quotations for British Government securities, and War Loan 3½ per cent touched a new high record of 104 7/16.

In other sections prices also advanced, employment returns stimulating industrials.

There was a slight reaction later, but a firm undertone was maintained.—British Wireless Service.

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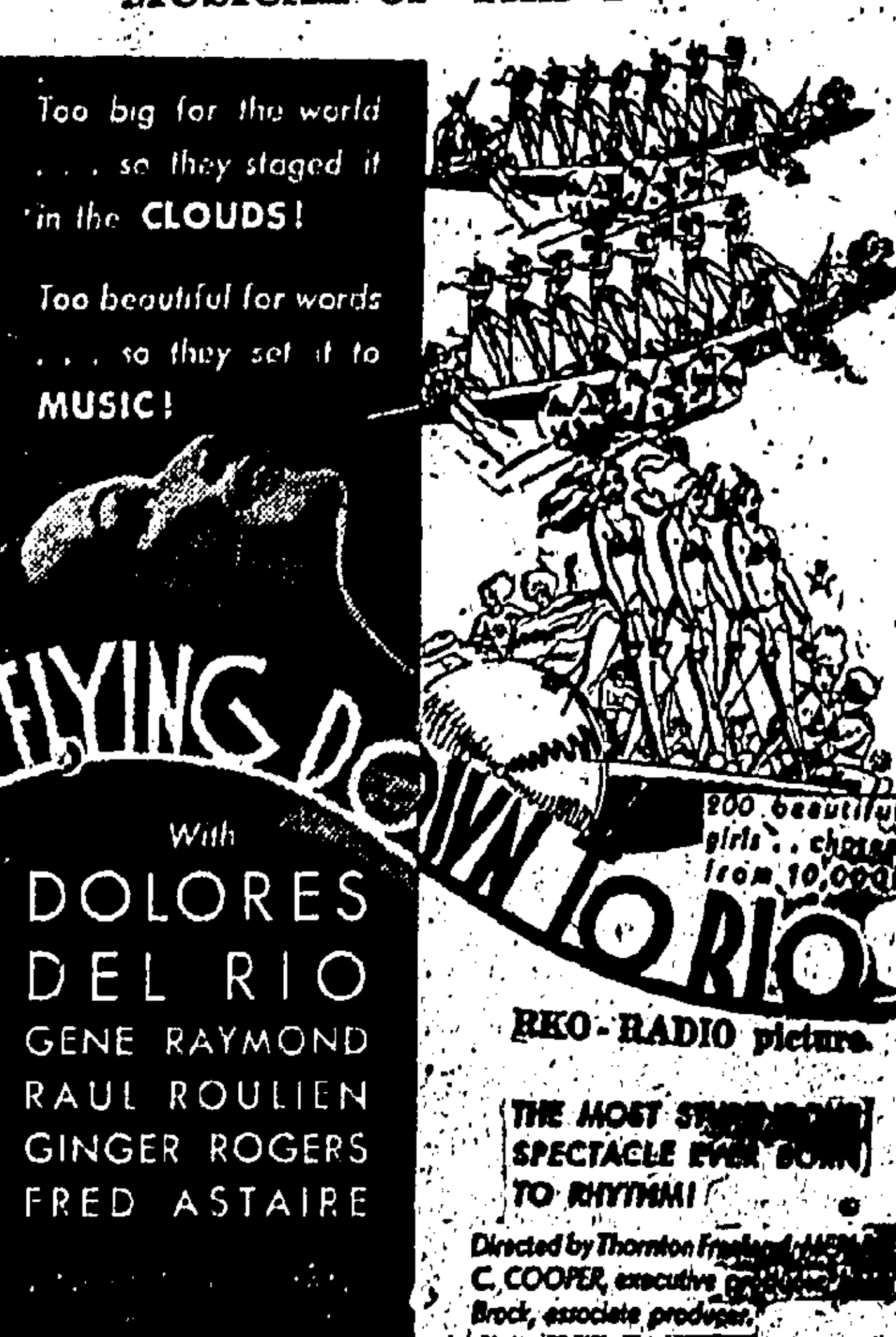
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